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631ST REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-First Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, January 19, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:

Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor

Absent:

Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner McAteer. seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the minutes of the Regular meeting of December 15, 1988 were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, presented the following report:

"ZOO DIRECTOR

Saul Kitchener, Zoo Director for the past 13 years, announced on January 6, 1989 that he will be leaving the Department, taking early retirement. However, he has agreed to remain for up to six months in order to assure continuity and ease of transition. The General Manager has asked the Zoological Society to assist her in an international search for Mr. Kitchener's successor. It should be noted that during his tenure as Director, many major improvements and developments have been made -- the opening of Gorilla World, Wolf Woods and Musk Ox Meadow, The Primate Discovery Center and Koala Crossing. The happiest memory, and major accomplishment, according to Mr. Kitchener, was the Giant Panda Exhibition in the winter of 1984-85. I want to take this opportunity, on behalf of the Commission and the Department, to wish Mr. Kitchener the very best in his future endeavors. He will certainly be missed by all.

CHARITABLE SOLICITORS

The Mayor's Office has proposed changes to the Charitable Solicitors' Ordinance which will increase penalties and eliminate the transfer of permits. As you know, this Department has received numerous complaints about solicitors in Golden Gate Park and on Twin Peaks. The Department has been asked to support these changes, and the General Manager will be writing a letter to the Board in support of them.

ASBESTOS

In the course of a remodeling project at Joseph Lee Recreation Center, asbestos was discovered beneath the floor of one room. The Health Department was contacted and the area has been sealed off. The Center is still safe, asbestos is not in any public areas, and this Department and the Health Department are working together to determine the best way to remove the asbestos.

ART WORK INSTALLED AT FATHER ALFRED BOEDDEKER RECREATION CENTER

A ceramic tile mural was dedicated at Father Alfred Boeddeker Recreation Center on Saturday, January 14th. This tile mural was created at the Center by Johanna Poethig and the children from the Tenderloin neighborhood. The project was funded by the Recreation and Park Department under the Arts in Public Places Program of the San Francisco Arts Commission. This mural took approximately nine months to complete, with Johanna and the children participating in weekly classes conducted at Boeddeker Recreation Center.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CAMP MATHER

Jim Lucey, Assistant Superintendent of Structural Maintenance, inspected Camp Mather last week, and advised that there was a buildup of 30 inches of snow on the ground at the Camp -- a beautiful site to see. He said that this was the most snow he had ever seen at Camp Mather in all of his 24 years of site visits. Mr. Lucey also reported the following: due to the heavy snow, there was some damage to certain structures, and he had to shovel snow off the Mess Hall roof to prevent its collapse; Birch Lake is frozen over, but O'Shaunnessy Reservoir is still low. The General Manager has asked Mr. Lucey to keep us updated on conditions at the Camp.

URBAN PARK AND RECREATION ALLIANCE WINTER/SPRING MEETING

The General Manager will be attending the Urban Park and Recreation Alliance (UPRA) Annual Winter/Spring meeting in San Diego from February 8 - 11, 1989. UPRA is an informal association of the 40 largest urban park and recreation districts in the United States. It meets twice a year, once in conjunction with the annual meeting of the National Park and Recreation Society, and once in the spring in a different city. Some of the pertinent topics to be discussed at this session will be therapeutic parks (designed for the handicapped), youth camps, the homeless and how they affect facilities, large festivals (75,000 to 100,000 attendance) and related concerns. The General Manager will update you on this meeting in a future report.

RETIREMENTS

Robert Delfino	3417 Gardener	36 years
Patrick Dillon	3418 Gardener, Assistant Supervisor	29 years

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, January 25, 1989	Special Commission Meeting 6.00 p.m., Food Not Bombs County Fair Building
Thursday, February 2, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, February 2, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m. McLaren Lodge
Monday, February 6, 1989	Special Commission Meeting 6:30 p.m., Budget Review, Sunset Recreation Center
Wednesday, February 15, 1989	Afterschool Program Committee, 2:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge, Conference Room"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15248

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period December 2, 1988 through January 4, 1989.

b. Settlement of Claims — RES. NO. 15249

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Donna Avtonomoff	$ 97.74
Maria Carlsen	183.00
Stephen Stephens	52.00
Gladys Hernandez	70.88

RESOLVED, That This Commission ratifies the following transactions authorized by Department staff under Recreation and Park Department Resolution No. 13572 providing for the continuous and uninterrupted operation of the Department:

c. MARINA GREEN - IRRIGATION PROJECT AWARD OF CONTRACT — RES. NO. 15250

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the budget in the amount of $443,795.00 and ratification of award of contract in the amount of $266,200.00 to Interlane General Engineering and Watkin and Bortolussi, Inc., Joint Venture, for the irrigation project at the Marina Green.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
CLEAN WATER PROGRAM
SOUND BERM

Approval of sound berm to be constructed on the joint use site under jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, presented the schematic drawings for the construction of a sound berm at the expansion site of the Zoological Gardens in conjunction with the underground Oceanside Treatment Plant. The berm, a sizable structure of approximately 200 feet across, 600 feet in length, and approximately 40 feet high, would consist of a large mound of earth that would be constructed in such a way as to minimize the construction impact. Once in place the berm would serve several functions -- to block sound from traveling into the Zoo, as well as dust, and provide a convenient area for the excavation materials to be deposited. The berm will be constructed prior to the treatment plant and on-site monitoring will take place to check the impact of the sound berm, and if need be, further constraint would be placed on the construction activities to make sure that undue impact would not be experienced at the Zoo. Several months are being allotted for the construction of the berm, and the project should be completed and in place prior to October, 1989.

President Eickman stated that the Joint Zoo Committee examined the project very thoroughly and was satisfied that it was necessary and would also provide extra protection to the Zoo.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15251

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the construction of a sound berm on the joint use site under jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department.

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
OLD GREAT HIGHWAY
JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF LAND

Approval of resolution requesting the Mayor to initiate a jurisdictional transfer of a portion of Old Great Highway from the Water Department to the Recreation and Park Department.

Deborah Learner, Park Planner, referred the Commissioners to their packets which included a sketch of the area in question to give a better idea of what was being planned. Ms. Learner explained that the subject portion is located between the San Francisco Zoo and the Zoo expansion site. Ms. Learner advised that this road is still under the jurisdiction of the Water Department, and basically it is really part of the Zoo property, but the jurisdiction has not been transferred. At this time the Recreation and Park Department would like to initiate that process so this portion of road would become part of its property, and that expansion activities for the Zoo would be able to move into that area without any permit having to be issued by the Water Department.

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6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
OLD GREAT HIGHWAY
JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF LAND (Continued)

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15252

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the resolution requesting the Mayor to initiate a jurisdictional transfer of a portion of old Great Highway from the Water Department to the Recreation and Park Department.

7. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR RECONSTRUCTION

Approval of Kezar reconstruction, schematic design plan.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained the Kezar reconstruction project schematic design plan by showing what will be constructed on the site once demolition takes place. She noted that the plan focuses on the field area which will be suitable for football and soccer, with an all-weather track that would be open to the community on a daily basis. A promenade would circle the stadium, and there would be a landscape buffer. Seating capacity would be approximately 10,000. The plan has been well received and demolition will begin in March.

Commissioner O'Connor raised the question of security, and felt that the area would be an attractive site for people to take up residence.

Ms. Learner said that the area would be secured by a 6-8 foot fence and would be closed at night. If there were problems, the Commission would have to review its policy on having Kezar as an open site for day-to-day use by the community.

As a point of interest, Ms. Learner told of the plans for an "Old Timers Party" celebration to be held at Kezar before demolition begins.

Larry Burgheimer representing the Kezar-Poly Neighborhood Association said that his group was basically delighted with the project, but wanted to make sure that the landscaping on Frederick Street is coordinated with the Poly site and that street lights be put on the west side of Frederick.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15253

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Kezar reconstruction schematic design plan.

8. CROCKER AMAZON PARKING LOT PLAN

Approval of the Crocker Amazon parking lot plan.

Deborah Learner, Park Planner, reviewed the parking lot plan which would be included in the Crocker-Amazon Master Plan. Ms. Learner stressed the need for parking and showed the area designated for this purpose as being along the eastern edge of Crocker-Amazon. The lot would be soft surface and would accommodate parking for 116 cars. It also would include a storage area for soil material used on the recreation field. She noted that there had been some concern as to what the relationship of this parking area would be to the proposed golf driving range, not yet approved by the Commission, and stated that the Department did not want to preclude options in this area.

At this time a discussion took place which included property lines, set backs, type of surfacing, drainage and landscaping. Commissioner McAteer raised the question of turning into the lot off Geneva Avenue, and Ms. Learner said she would check in terms of the traffic and safety issues to see if there would be an opportunity to make a left turn lane.

Jeanna Haney a Crocker-Amazon neighborhood resident asked if there was any provision for barriers at the top end of the lot so that there is not access by automobiles or motorcycle riders "joyriding" around the rest of the park.

Ms. Learner advised that although at present the conceptual plan does not specify this, barriers should be put in.

Richard Kozicki a member of the Committee for McLaren Park Integrity was concerned about closing the lot at night. He also felt that the whole area should be surfaced all at once, even though a decision has not been reached on the golf-driving range.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15254

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Crocker Amazon parking lot plan.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the provision of closing the lot at night after any activities.

9. GOLDEN GATE PARK
CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
STREET LIGHTS

Approval of four additional street lights at the south entrance to the California Academy of Sciences.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner reviewed the proposal submitted by the California Academy of Sciences for the additional street lights along Middle Drive which would offset those lights already in place at the back entrance of the Academy. She noted that they would be similar to the ones already there, and that the Academy would pay for installation and maintenance. Also, it would provide safety and security lighting in the evening for events held at the Academy.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15255

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves four additional street lights at the south entrance to the California Academy of Sciences.

10. PERMIT AND RESERVATION POLICY
SIX-MONTH REVIEW

Review of the permit and reservations policy for use of facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department as required by Park Code Section 7.03-IV, Resolution 14993.

Deputy City Attorney, Mara Rosales, referred the Commissioners to a memo in their packets dated January 10, which outlined what the changes were in the permit and reservations policy. However, she stated that subsequent to the Parks and Planning Committee meeting she discovered that two of the provisions recommended for change were found in the Park Code, and that the Commission would need to propose legislation to the Board of Supervisors by ordinance to change those provisions. Therefore, Ms. Rosales said that she would prepare legislation for the Commissions' review at their next full meeting and, if approved, it would be forwarded to the Board.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15256

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves all changes recommended by the City Attorney's Office to the permit and reservations policy.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission directs the City Attorney to prepare legislation amending Park Code Section 7.20.

11. CAMP MATHER
SALE OF POSTERS

Approval to sell posters depicting Camp Mather at the Camp Mather store.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

12. MARINA MASTER PLAN
PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE

Conceptual approval of a preferred alternative for the Marina Master Plan.

Phil Arnold, Assistant General Manager for Administration, began his presentation by explaining to the Commission that they were not being asked to give final approval to the Marina Master Plan. They were being asked to give preliminary approval of the preferred alternative in order to direct the consultants to prepare the Master Plan which would then be circulated to the public and brought back for final review and approval. Mr. Arnold explained that the consultant, Moffatt & Nichol, Engineers had been working for a number of months on developing different options, and that those options have been presented at four public meetings.

Mr. Arnold presented schematic drawings depicting the Marina in its present state and the proposed preferred alternative. Mr. Arnold stated that the major need in the Marina is protection of boats from wind, waves and surf heights, that there were inadequate breakwaters, and a survey taken of boaters in the Marina showed that their number one priority over all else was to get some protection for their boats. Thus, the recommendation of three new breakwaters.

Discussion focused on the placement of the breakwaters -- how they would affect the channel entrance, affect the Wave Organ and hinder views. Additional parking was another issue addressed, and the provision for handicapped parking.

Mr. Arnold detailed repairs that were necessary, especially to a number of the docks. He noted that the plan also allowed for a modest extension of berths.

Another concern of the boat owners was for showers and restrooms. Mr. Arnold stated that most Marinas have some owner facilities, and said that the plan had some provisions for boater facilities such as restrooms and showers.

Mr. Arnold noted that commercial development in the Marina was discussed at the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee meeting, with consideration given to the possibility of a restaurant. However, the final decision of the Committee was not to go ahead with that idea. A possibility of having dry boat storage for boats or trailers or a chandlery, or a combination of both, would be the only recommended commercial expansion in the Marina as far as this Master Plan is concerned.

Mr. Arnold concluded by saying that a resolution for the Commissions' consideration was prepared which calls for approval of the Master Plan with three provisos. The Commissioners were provided with this resolution.

12. MARINA MASTER PLAN
PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE (Continued)

Janette Barroca a Marina resident told the Commission that she was opposed to the plan in general and felt that no more boats were needed in the Marina, and that there were enough activities going on already. She thought the Marina should be left just as it is, open to everybody to enjoy at their leisure and convenience without special groups being involved.

Alex Cheng a boat owner and tenant thanked the city for retaining such an excellent staff at the Marina and for all their work during the storm in December. He stated that San Francisco Marina has the best location, but is in the worst condition. It is just "hanging" together. Mr. Cheng felt that San Francisco is known throughout the world and should have a decent Marina, and it is not that big of a Marina to take care of.

Tom Clothier the Port Captain of Golden Gate Yacht Club and also a Marina tenant expressed his deep concern for having a safe harbor. Right now this is not the case, which was illustrated by the storm in December. He thought it was far more important to have a seawall that provides the tenants the safe harbor which they should have in a world class harbor, and that the wave organ could very easily be incorporated with the new seawall.

William Ceragioli a tenant in West Harbor stated that a seawall was a must. He stressed the fact that every day tour boats go by making wakes which come rushing in, hitting the seawall, magnifying themselves, getting bigger as they go down the wall. As far as cost and accommodating the boaters, who supposedly are a special interest group, the boaters will be paying for everything that is done and it will not cost the city anything. He urged the Commission to vote for the proposal.

Paul Kaplan a concessionaire at the harbor stated that the real issue was correcting the design deficiencies that have existed in the Marina since the beginning. In order to conduct business, a safe place to keep boats is needed, and at the present that is not the case. He felt that the issue should be looked at not in the sense of a users group getting some preferential treatment, but merely correcting some deficiencies that were part of the harbor in the first place.

Randy Waggoner a member of the Harbor Tenants Advisory Board said that the proposed additional berths were not really additional, but used to be there 25 years ago. Breakwaters were definitely needed -- as many as possible. He thought that certain placement of the breakwater might prevent the build up of sand clogging the Wave Organ, which is partially preventing it from working.

Al Cavey of the Boat Tenants Association noted that the Marina is self-supporting and that the berthholders pay for all the gardeners, all the maintenance, all trash pickups, and everything that goes on between Crissy Field and Fort Mason. He said that the projected life of the current harbor was 20 years and that it is now already 25 years old. The addition of berths will make no difference in the configuration.

Roy Berner representing the President of the Harbor Tenants Association advised the Commission that they were in favor of the plan as presented. He noted that there was 50 feet of erosion in Outer West Harbor, and if this is not stabilized, the Wave Organ, where presently located, will eventually disappear.

12. MARINA MASTER PLAN
PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE (Continued)

Les Goldner a member of the Harbor Advisory Committee to the Recreation and Park Department and Vice President of the Tenants Association, stated that the plan is completely congruent with a survey that they conducted. With regard to the Wave Organ, Mr. Goldner felt that it was well intentioned, but a venture that turned out to be a mistake. It is in the wrong place, there is no ready access, it doesn't work, and it is a garbage collection dump. He felt that everything should be done to save the Wave Organ, but that it should not influence the behavior of the Commission regarding this plan.

Peter Brand a Coastal Planner, but speaking as a resident of the neighborhood, stated he was completely in favor of modernizing and renovating the Marina, but he was absolutely opposed to the configuration that is proposed. Open waterfront in San Francisco is a rare commodity, and what this proposal would do is sheer off one-third to one-half of the open waterfront at the Marina Green It would eliminate some of the most wonderful views in the country. He added that the Marina does not have to be expanded, but does need to be improved.

At this point, Commissioner McAteer asked the Harbor Master, Carol Leonard, to share her views on the Plan. Ms. Leonard stated that she was very much in favor of the plan as put forth by Moffatt and Nichol, that they had been extremely sensitive not only to the Department's needs, but to the needs and wants of the neighborhood.

President Eickman reiterated Mr. Arnold's statement that the vote today is only for conceptual approval, and that it will come back again to the Commission for final approval.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15257

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the conceptual preferred alternative for the Marina Master Plan with the adoption of the following clarifying revisions:

° That all reference to a restaurant be dropped;

° That the placement of the outer West Marina breakwater be reviewed in an attempt to accommodate the Wave Organ, provided that such accommodation does not compromise the protection, safety or maintenance of the West Marina;

° That any change to the parking configuration along Marina Blvd. be reviewed and approved by the Bureau of Traffic Engineering, Department of Public Works, before it is brought back to this Commission for approval.

13. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Approval of Declaration of Emergency in the amount of $200,000.00 to repair damage caused by storms at San Francisco Marina.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, informed the Commission that Moffatt and Nichol, Engineers, did a review of the damage caused by the December storm, primarily in East Harbor and Outer West Harbor. Their preliminary estimate of cost was $150,000.00, but the Department of Public Works thought it was more in the range of $185,000.00 or more. Thus, the Declaration of Emergency in the amount of $200,000.00. Mr. Arnold said that there was indication that the State would be willing to award the Department a $100,000.00 low interest loan. Therefore, a resolution which allows us to submit an application to the State is also before the Commission for approval.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15258

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Declaration of Emergency in the amount of $200,000.00 to repair damage caused by storms at San Francisco Marina.
FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission authorizes staff to submit a request for a $100,000.00 loan from the State of California to be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

14. CIVIC CENTER GARAGE
REJECTION OF BIDS

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO.15259

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves rejection of all bids received for the Civic Center Garage.

15. KEZAR PAVILION
APPROVAL OF PERMIT

Approval of month-to-month food and beverage permit with Nob Hill Pizza Inc., at the Kezar Pavilion.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlon reviewed the conditions of the permit with the Commission and it was unanimously felt that a concessionaire was an asset to the Pavilion.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15260

RESOLVED, That this Commission approve a month-to-month food and beverage permit with Nob Hill Pizza Inc., at the Kezar Pavilion.

16. ART SHOWS
APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEE

Approval of permit fees for art shows.

President Eickman said that these fees were approved by the Finance and Administration Committee and noted that there were quite a few people present wishing to be heard on this subject.

Sheri Hart of the San Francisco Society of Fine Arts said that the raise was already 300% and that she would like to recommend that the Commission maintain $75 a day for the first year rather than boosting it to $150 in July.

Peter Ashe, Assistant Superintendent of Cultural Services, responded that it was a 300% increase, but because the very low fee was allowed to continue for such a long period, it was a great contributing factor in the escalation. Other fees have been going up, but the artists' fees remained the same.

Frank Lurtz of the Artists Guild of San Francisco, pointed out the unique nature of the group, and advised the Commission that Los Angeles supports its artists in an amount of $20 million dollars in an endowment fund and also from taxes levied against public and private development. He said that the Guild had its quarterly board meeting recently and spent virtually the whole time trying to come up with proposals to raise the money. Mr. Lurtz further stated that the proposed fee increases might destroy the Guild altogether.

Terry Steinke, Secretary of the Art Guild, stated that it costs $25 per location per month which would at most mean that the artists would pay $75 a month for 6-8 days of showing. It is not $25 per day. He urged the Commission to consider not raising the fee to $150.

At this time Commissioner Mori said that more consideration of the Guild's situation was given than the people involved might think in lieu of the Department's other budget constraints.

Joyce Orth one of the founders of the Guild felt that the Department should be grateful to the group for enhancing the park and noted that tourists from around the world take home their paintings. She felt that the Department should help sponsor the group as part of the park.

Lewis Suzuki a member of the Artists Guild said that if the fee were kept under $50 they could survive. He said that instead of working together, there was antagonism between the two factions and welcomed the Commission members to come and see the art shows.

Mary Elkington also a Guild member, felt that the shows were an attraction to tourists and that this was an opportunity for her and other artists to develop and grow.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding how and where sales were handled, noting that sales could not be made on park property; the use of charge cards; and whether the fee structure is for shows that do not contemplate sales for park sales -- shows/sales.

16. ART SHOWS
APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEE (Continued)

President Eickman advised that he would divide the issue into two parts, the first being approval of the $75 flat rate per day to June 30, 1989, and the second for approval of $150.00 flat rate per day effective 7/1/89.

The Commissioners felt that the $150.00 flat rate per day effective 7/1/89 should be referred back to staff for further review.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15261

RESOLVED, That this Commission approve the requested fee increase from the current $25.00 flat rate per day to the $75.00 flat rate per day to 6/30/89.

4:30-5:35 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session to discuss Items 17 & 18.

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17. LAKE MERCED
MIRAGE INVESTMENTS

Action on lessee's Request. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

Deputy City Attorney, Mara Rosales, explained that the Commission concurred with the action taken by the Finance and Administration Committee at its meeting of January 5, 1989.

18. PON AND HOM CONCESSIONAIRES
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Action concerning recommendations outlined in the Controller's Audit recently conducted on Pon and Hom Concessionaires. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

Deputy City Attorney, Mara Rosales, explained that the Commission concurred with the action taken by the Finance and Administration Committee at its meeting of January 5, 1989.

19. OUTDOOR WEDDINGS/CHARITABLE EVENTS
PERMIT FEE ADJUSTMENTS

Approval of the fee adjustments for outdoor weddings and charitable events.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15262

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following fee adjustments for outdoor weddings and charitable events:

OUTDOOR WEDDINGS

	Current	Approved
Palace of Fine Arts Legion of Honor/Queen Wilhelmina Garden/ Shakespeare Garden	$200 1st 2 hrs plus $70/hr thereafter	$200 1st 2 hrs plus $35/hr thereafter
All Other Outdoor Locations (incl. Stern Grove)	$100 1st 2 hrs plus $35/hr thereafter	$100 1st 2 hrs plus $20/hr thereafter

CHARITABLE EVENTS

Under 500 people	Applicable Basic Fee	$250

20. GOLDEN GATE PARK
GREAT HIGHWAY
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Approval of a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $44,988 for maintenance of the Great Highway.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15263

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $44,988 for maintenance of the Great Highway.

21. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Approval of the proposed settlement of the unlitigated claim of Ruth Fireman (Firemen's Fund) in the amount of $2,065.13. (The Commission may convene in Executive Session to discuss this matter.)

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15264

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of unlitigated claim of Ruth Fireman, in the amount of $2,065.13.

22. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was received.

23. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman reported on recent meetings, events and other pertinent items:

° President Eickman has been attending the Work Improvement Project (WIP) monthly meetings.

° Complimented the Department on the Martin Luther King Luncheon held on January 13, 1989 at the County Fair Building.

° Reminded Commissioners of upcoming Special Commission Meetings:

(1) Food Not Bombs, January 25, 1989, 6:00 p.m., County Fair Building
(2) 1989-90 Budget, February 6, 1989, 6:30 p.m., Sunset Recreation Center

° First Zoo Advisory Committee Meeting to be held on February 1 or February 8, 1989.

24. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15265

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $18,134.17, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Security Pacific National Bank, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $2,600.00, for the Tenderloin Recreation Center's Annual Christmas Party.

b. From St. Anthony Foundation, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $1,000.00, for the Tenderloin Recreation Center's Annual Christmas Party.

c. From Dr. and Mrs. M. Zafar Iqbal, $100.00, for Golden Gate Park.

d. From Chevron U.S.A., Inc., through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $500.00, for the Latchkey Program.

e. From the Golden Gate Park Senior Center, one dishwasher, valued at $431.72, to be used at the Golden Gate Park Senior Center.

f. From Robert Hamilton, Ernest Katler, Lil Severin and Geradus Staahl, $800.00, for the purchase of rare orchids from Columbia, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

g. From the San Francisco Orchid Society, $1,700.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

h. From the Strybing Arboretum Society, plants and supplies, valued at $1,348.12, for the Strybing Arboretum.

i. From the Strybing Arboretum Society, signage, valued at $53.46, for the Strybing Arboretum.

j. From the Softball Advisory Committee, one Cushman Turf/Truckster, valued at $9,500.87, to be used at the Jackson Playground softball diamonds.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

25. RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of President and Vice President for calendar year 1989, in accordance with Resolution No. 11334.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15266

RESOLVED, that this Commission re-elects Commissioner Eickman as President of the Recreation and Park Commission for calendar year 1989.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Commission re-elects Commissioner McAteer as Vice President of the Recreation and Park Commission for calendar year 1989.

26. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of November 4, 1988
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of December 21, 1988
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of January 5, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of January 5, 1989
Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory Committee Meeting of January 10, 1989
Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of January 12, 1989

27. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Mori, the meeting was adjourned with congratulations to the San Francisco Forty Niners on their going to the Super Bowl for the third time in a decade.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in honor of Rear Admiral Robert L. Toney, U.S. Navy, Bay Area Naval Base, San Francisco, for all his good work and efforts in behalf of the local community, and congratulations on his new post in Hawaii.

There being no further business, the 631st Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Morrison
Acting Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, January 25, 1989 - 6:00 p.m.

The Special meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Wednesday, January 25, 1989, at 6:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 6:40 p.m.)
Absent:
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime

2. FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION
PROPOSED POLICY

Consideration of proposed policy of free food distribution in park facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission.

General Manager Mary Burns presented the following report:

"In October, 1988 the Recreation and Park Commission held a hearing to consider a permit for the Food Not Bombs organization to distribute free food near the corner of Haight and Stanyan Streets in Golden Gate Park. At the time the matter was heard by your commission it came without recommendation from staff because it was felt that existing Commission policy did not anticipate that type of activity on an on-going basis in an open air area of a park. As you recall, the Commission received a great deal of in-put from the public, both in writing and in verbal testimony on the day of the hearing. At the hearing the Commission directed staff to consult with interested parties and other cities to determine what other areas might be doing.

Since the October hearing, I have sent a memo to the following:

- Large cities and counties throughout the state and country
- Neighborhood organizations in San Francisco
- Those who testified at the hearing asking if they had further thoughts or comments.

Copies of the letters from other cities and counties are in your packets. The survey produced a response from 38 localities. Of that number, 3 stated that they had similar requests and allowed the activity. Cambridge, Massachusetts was the only city that said such a service was authorized by permit. Both Dallas and New York stated that such an activity took place in their parks, but without permit. Oakland, California responded verbally that one of their downtown parks had an on-going program of a food-service operated off of a city street adjacent to their park, but without city permit. Others stated that such activity had occurred in emergency situations, for a limited period of time (two or three days during a cold spell). Most, however, said that either the need was not there or such a request had not been made. One or two stated that such activity would not be allowed on an on-going basis because they did not turn over sections of their parks to a particular group.

113 neighborhood groups were contacted and 24 responded. Of those responding, 2 were in favor and 22 were opposed to such an activity in either their particular neighborhood park, or in parks generally. Copies of those letters are also in your packets. In addition, we received a letter from the Council on Food and Hunger in favor and one from the Sierra Club opposed. One of the letters of opposition we received was from the Coalition of San Francisco Neighborhoods which comprises approximately 40 neighborhoods. Since your October hearing, staff and the Commission Office have received 82 letters from individuals (as of the 1/13/89 date of this memorandum) - 26 in favor and 56 opposed. One petition was submitted with 756 signatures in favor of this activity.

Also since your October hearing staff has met with several interested parties to discuss the matter in greater detail. Proponents of the permit have submitted a proposal that proposes to allow the activity under the following circumstances:

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PROPOSED POLICY (Continued)

- Proper permits are secured from Recreation and Park and Health Departments;
- Proper insurance is secured;
- Either a written agreement or a performance bond is secured to insure proper clean-up of the area;
- Priority be given to existing activities (such as playgrounds, ball diamonds, etc.
- Activities be allowed in areas where restrooms are available and allow for easy garbage collection and cleaning.

It is clear that this subject had generated an extreme amount of interest on the part of many citizens of San Francisco. It is equally clear that San Francisco and indeed many other cities, are facing a crisis of previously unknown proportions in feeding and housing the homeless. I think it is clear that San Francisco, both publicly and privately is doing as much or more than most other cities. That, however, does not solve the problem of an individual who cannot find a place to stay or a place to secure a hot meal in some areas of the city or during certain times of the day.

At the same time, I think that most people would agree that parks are special places and should be available for the enjoyment of all. As in several other issues you have faced in the past, this is one where there are competing interests that must be evaluated. There is no question that parks are designed to serve the interests of users on a whole variety of levels -- from an aesthetic one of a casual passerby to the very active, intense use of a child on the playground or a soccer player on a ballfield. Parks must be available to everyone on all levels. In other times, sufficient social service providers had food and shelter available to all who wanted it. That does not appear to be the case at the present time. Recent stories in San Francisco's major newspapers and intense research by the Tenderloin Times indicate a crisis situation complicated immeasurably by the cold and rainy weather.

Given the crisis situation and in view of the Board of Supervisors resolution directing each Department to assist in alleviating the problems of the homeless, I believe that at least for the short term, the Recreation and Park Department should consider balancing competing and somewhat opposing interests. Staff, therefore, recommends that permits be granted on a limited basis with the following restrictions and conditions:

- Priority be given to recreation activities -- no permit be granted in an area already set aside for recreational activities;
- Permits be granted only in an area of demonstrated need;
- Permits be granted on a temporary basis for no more than one month at a time, but can be renewed as long as a demonstrated need exists and all other conditions of permit are met;
- Food service itself be allowed only on non-grass surface areas to minimize the impact on turf and plant environments and to allow for easier clean-up if spills occur;
- That permits be considered only in large, city-wide parks as defined in the Recreation and Park Commission policy on permits and reservations;
- That in city-wide parks, priority be given to permits for first amendment rights activities.

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PROPOSED POLICY (Continued)

If all of these conditions are met, staff would issue a permit if the permittee can secure insurance recommended by the City's Risk Manager, posts a performance bond or a written commitment to insure clean-up and secures a permit from the Department of Public Health for food preparation and distribution (after a site permit is secured from the Recreation and Park Department).

I would further recommend that as in the Permit and Reservation Policy that this issue be reviewed by the Parks and Planning Committee and the full Commission every six months to determine if the activity is still warranted or if any changes in the general conditions of this type of permit need to be made.

Given all of the above conditions, staff considers that there are two locations currently appropriate -- the Golden Gate Park and the downtown area. For the Golden Gate Park area staff recommends the Kezar Triangle area near the Kezar Recycling Center. However, given that demolition will be occurring there over the next few months, that Food Not Bombs be given a permit at their current location until the need is no longer demonstrated or until such time as the Kezar demolition is completed (approximately in September 1989) and that at that time a permit be issued for the operation to continue adjacent to the Kezar Recycling program. The Department would work with Food Not Bombs to locate their food distribution program in a safe location on an asphalt pad. We will also attempt to locate the operation adjacent to domestic water supply. It is recommended that the permit be issued on a month to month basis. When demolition is complete and Food Not Bombs has moved to the recycling area, the section of Haight and Stanyan would again be determined to be a site where no permits are appropriate.

For the downtown area, Civic Center Plaza is designated as currently appropriate. However, I recommend that the Commission follow its current policy that Civic Center Plaza be available on a priority basis for demonstrations, musical events, or events requiring amplified sound. On those days when there is no conflict, that the Plaza be available for food distribution.

In regard to the food service conducted by Mother Theresa's followers in Civic Center Plaza, it is my suggestion that staff meet with that organization to determine if they meet the criteria specified above. Clean up procedures are of major concern and some type of written agreement or performance bond will have to be required. I have been informed by the Mayor's Office that the Fire House will be a long-term home for Mother Theresa's program and should be available within the near future. At that time, it would be my suggestion to evaluate whether Civic Center Plaza continues to be an appropriate site within the limits of the criteria.

An issue has also been raised in regard to food service at United Nations Plaza. The ordinance by the Board of Supervisors that gave the Recreation and Park Department responsibility for permits to use United Nations Plaza direct the Department to issue permits only for activities protected by the First Amendment or recreational activities. Therefore, permits for food distribution would be issued by the Board of Supervisors if such activity is requested. (San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 2.74(b))

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PROPOSED POLICY (Continued)

It is my suggestion that the Commission try to reach some type of agreement on this issue today and then direct the City Attorney's office to prepare the necessary language to amend your Permit and Reservation Policy at a subsequent meeting. Once that language is prepared it will be submitted to the Office of Environmental Review for appropriate action before it is heard by your Commission. In the interim, the temporary revocable permits will continue unless the need changes or conditions of the permit are not being met.

In closing, I would like to say that I continue to believe quite strongly that this type of activity is inappropriate outdoors in a park on an on-going basis. It is my hope that efforts will continue to locate a suitable in-door facility for any of the requests that may be generated during this time of extreme crisis relating to homelessness in San Francisco."

Terence Hallinan, a member of the Board of Supervisors, commended the Department and Commission for trying to find a solution to alleviate the crisis of homelessness and finding a humanitarian approach to address the homeless problem in the City.

PROPONENTS TO FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Greg Francis, coordinator for the Coalition on Homelessness, complimented the staff for recognizing Supervisor Nancy Walker's 12-point plan on homelessness. He stated there is a crisis situation with regard to homelessness and that the City does not have adequate housing and other services to serve the homeless needs. He endorsed the staff recommendation.

Keith McHenry, representing Food Not Bombs, stated that the homeless issue will not be resolved overnight. He stated that Food Not Bombs addresses the issue of government spending on the military while millions of people starve in the streets in the United States. He was concerned about the staff recommendation to move the distribution site to the Kezar area because there is less foot traffic in this location and it would remove Food Not Bombs from the public's view. Food Not Bombs promotes the ending of bombing in El Salvador.

Margaret Crosby, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union, representing Food Not Bomb in its permit application, suggested the Department use its adopted Permit and Reservation Policy in the same manner it enforces other first amendment activities. She was pleased the Department fashioned a proposal that is both sensitive to needs of the parks and compassionate to the needs of the homeless. Food Not Bombs supported the proposed policy except for the need to have the permit reviewed monthly and the change in location. She suggested a three month review process and stated the proposed location has inadequate foot traffic in order for Food Not Bombs to accomplish the second aspect of its mission which is to communicate with the public. With those two modifications, she supported the proposed recommendation and commended the Department for taking a leadership role in resolving the homeless issue.

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Marcia Rosen, Assistant Director of the San Francisco Lawyers Committee for Urban Affairs, urged adoption of the proposed policy. She was pleased to note that the police activity against Food Not Bombs had subsided. She stated that Recreation and Park is the first city agency outside the Department of Social Services to officially recognize and address the homeless crisis. She expressed concern over the proposed location explaining that the easiest access to it is through the Children's Playground which previously concerned the Department. She urged the Department to communicate with the Police Department of this change in policy stating that it would be a travesty of justice if the rulings of one agency were to be impeded by another agency.

OPPONENTS TO FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Paul Marigonda, representing the Cole Valley Improvement Association and Stanyan-Fulton Neighborhood Association, in its opposition to the request of Food Not Bombs to distribute free food in Golden Gate Park, stated that the homeless deserve to be treated in a dignified manner. He was of the opinion that free food distribution is not an appropriate activity for any park and that the Department's proposal will change policy, setting a precedent. He stated his opinion that distribution of free food is not a first amendment activity. He commented that the primary use of City parks is recreation and that this represents a stop gap measure. He stated that this Commission is being asked to do the work of the Mayor and Board of Supervisors, there has been tremendous opposition to this change in policy and asked that the permit application be denied.

John Hooper, representing the Sierra Club Foundation, explained the Sierra Club passed a resolution on 11/22/88 opposing the permit application of Food Not Bombs. He further stated that Food Not Bombs has justified, in part, its present location because there is no free food distribution sites available on Mondays in the Haight-Ashbury area. He noted that the Temple on Divisadero offers a hot vegetarian meal on Mondays.

Therese Gaus, a resident of the Haight-Ashbury for 10 years, listed a number of neighborhood organizations (22) opposed to the granting of a permit for free food distribution in City parks, including the Coalition of San Francisco Neighborhoods which represents approximately 45 neighborhood groups. She cited some of the concerns raised by the neighborhood organizations which opposed programs that have no relationship to open space recreational uses of a park. She stated there has been an overwhelming opposition to a policy change. She reminded the Commission of its obligation to the community and its role to protect the parks. She felt the Commission should not red line certain neighborhoods and urged a no vote on this issue.

Carol Isaacs, representing the Buena Vista Neighborhood Association, explained that for many years her Association has focused on the restoration and reforestation of Buena Vista Park. She stated that commissioners are guardians of the City's parks and must protect them. She noted that Mayor Agnos has stated that the homeless should be fed indoors with dignity; feeding people in the park is not dignified and encourages people to live in the parks. She urged the Commission to not turn the City's parks into a political arena and urged a no vote.

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PROPOSED POLICY (Continued)

Catherine Joseph, President of the Stanyan-Fulton Neighborhood Association, opposed the staff recommendation because she felt that food distribution is not an appropriate activity for a City park. She stated that being opposed to this permit does not mean one is opposed to the homeless situation. She stated that long term solutions should be found for the homeless crisis. She further stated that the staff recommendation states it should be done in large City parks but for those who live in the Haight-Ashbury, Golden Gate Park is the neighborhood park. She stated that Golden Gate Park deserves the same protection as any neighborhood park and asked that the Commission not issue any more temporary permits for food distribution.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Arthur Goedenhaagen, opposed the granting of a permit to Food Not Bombs. He quoted the concluding statement made by the General Manager in her staff recommendation.

Jim Rhoads, representing the Haight Ashbury Preservation Society, listed 13 organizations which supported Food Not Bombs in its permit application. He supported Food Not Bombs and the staff recommendation.

Anna Guth, representing the Haight Ashbury Improvement Association, stated that Golden Gate Park is not appropriate location for food distribution. She recommended that an indoor location is more appropriate, sanitary and humane for food distribution.

Esther Oppenheimer, asked what provisions are being made for the children of the homeless.

Norman Berryessa, representing the Task Force for Economic Justice with the Archdiocese of San Francisco, supported the staff recommendation. He stated that for many years free food has been distributed in City parks at church picnics with no problems or issuance of citations.

Kevin Shea, representing the Golden Gate Park Work Improvement Project, opposed the issuance of any ongoing permit to Food Not Bombs to serve food in Golden Gate Park. He did not see a demonstrated need for this program. He stated that all of the City's parks are to be used for recreational activities. He did not feel that feeding people in the park is a first amendment right. He stated that Food Not Bombs does not care about the permit process because it set up a food distribution table this evening without benefit of a permit.

Carole Glosenger, a resident of the Haight-Ashbury for 15 years, expressed her opposition to free food distribution in the City's parks. She stated that Food Not Bombs says it is filling a need for feeding the hungry on Mondays in the Haight area but that the Temple on Divisadero and Oak offers food on Mondays. She stated that the Commission is being asked to decide if the parks are an appropriate place to serve free food. She pointed out that the Commission is appointed to uphold the integrity of the San Francisco park system and that it must protect the parks. She stated that many children do not go to the Children's Playground in Golden Gate Park because they have to walk by the Alford Lake area where Food Not Bombs serves food.

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Sherry Williams, supported the proposed policy but felt the location should remain unchanged. She had no problem seeing people being fed on Mondays.

Bill Hirsh, an attorney with the Tenderloin Self Help Center and a resident of the Haight-Ashbury, thanked the Department for the work that had been done on this issue and Food Not Bombs for its dedicated community service. He supported the proposal and stated that the Kezar site is less favorable than the present site. He stated that this is a first amendment issue and that Food Not Bombs should be allowed to distribute food.

Peter Doty, asked whether the County Jail is an appropriate place for a vegetarian activist to spend the night. He supported the granting of a permit and stated that if a permit is not granted he could be arrested again.

Ellen Rhoads, a homeowner of the Haight Ashbury, urged the Commission to vote for the policy. She has attended Food Not Bombs feedings and found them to be peaceful and happy in a non-threatening atmosphere. She further stated they responsibly clean up the area after the feedings. She felt that the Stanyan and Page location is an appropriate location.

Leslie Schemel, representing Friends of Recreation and Parks which is a support group for the Recreation and Park Department, stated that her organization did not officially take a stand on this issue. She personally felt that food distribution is not an appropriate use of the City's parks.

Lee Heller, a native San Franciscan, was supportive of Food Not Bombs. She said there should be a separation of church and state and supported first amendment activities.

Mark Parker, who was from Washington, D.C., stated that people are fed seven days a week in Washington. He was of the opinion that Food Not Bombs should be able to feed people in a City park.

Richard Hart, representing the Twin Peaks Improvement Association, stated he worked on Mayor Agnos' campaign and that the homeless issue is the one area which the Mayor's Office has not addressed. He said Food Not Bombs' concept of feeding people in the park is not a solution to the homeless problem and that homelessness is a crisis, not an emergency. He stated that the granting of a permit will change the nature of the City's parks and urged the Commission to vote against this policy.

Guy Michael Lee, formerly a homeless person, stated that if this forum was a democratic one, the Commission would vote for this policy since there is overwhelming support for it.

Kelley Cullen, a Franciscan brother who lives and works in the Tenderloin, commended Mary Burns and her staff for the work done on this recommendation. He was delighted to see that Recreation and Park was willing to feed the homeless and to help alleviate this problem. He encouraged the Commission to adopt the proposal.

Margo Narrol, supported the proposal.

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PROPOSED POLICY (Continued)

John Pitts, supported free food distribution and explained that Food Not Bombs does clean up after serving food. He discussed the definition of the word "inappropriate".

Jack Hirshman, expressed support for the General Manager's recommendation and stated that an open attitude should be applauded.

Calvin Welch, supported the staff recommendation. He stated it is inappropriate to have hunger in the wealthiest nation in the world.

John O'Brien, supported the granting of a permit to Food Not Bombs. He recited a poem which discussed the definition of the word "recreate."

Mark Schwartz, supported the proposal. Additionally, he stated that Supervisor Hallinan supported food distribution.

Ron Holladay, speaking on behalf of All Peoples Congress, supported Food Not Bombs in its continuing effort to feed the hungry. He thought it scandalous that representatives of Food Not Bombs were arrested.

8:00 p.m. - 8:10 p.m. The Commission recessed its meeting.

Commissioner Harris stated he had reviewed the staff recommendation and asked to vote on this issue without hearing further testimony. This request was not favorably received.

Rita Read, supported the granting of a permit. She thought it was an embarrassment that the issue of feeding people must be determined through public hearings.

Theresa Angeli, supported the staff recommendation and wanted the food distribution location to remain unchanged. She stated she brings her children to this location often and they are not frightened.

Derek Taylor, supported Food Not Bombs and stated he has been serving food for Food Not Bombs. He did not want any aspect of the permit to be changed and did not understand why he was arrested for this activity.

Carol Tarlen, stated she grew up poor and has spent a great deal of time trying to get mainstream. She has grandchildren she takes to the park and stated that her form of recreation was feeding people on Mondays. She supported Food Not Bombs in its permit application.

Maya Cain, supported the issuance of a permit. She thought renewing the permit monthly was an undue hardship and felt the information they distributed was wonderful.

Joel Ventresca, representing the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council, stated that the community needs to work together to provide basic human needs, to help those less fortunate than ourselves and to treat homeless people with dignity and respect. He stated that the Coalition of San Francisco Neighborhoods was divided on this issue. He urged the Commission to approve a new policy to allow free food distribution in our neighborhood and in our parks.

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PROPOSED POLICY (Continued)

Leslie Walter, supported Food Not Bombs and stated that people on the local level who are organizing this distribution need to be supported.

Scott Miller, a resident of the Haight-Ashbury, supported Food Not Bombs and felt the park should be used to feed people on an ongoing basis.

Dave Pate, supported the proposal and urged a less rigorous permit review process.

Sarge Holtzman, President of the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council, supported the activities of Food Not Bombs. She stated that parks are part of the community and the activities that take place in them is what the community wants. She urged the Commission to be compassionate.

Nick Gragard, a resident of the Haight-Ashbury, fully supported Food Not Bombs and stated that this is a first amendment issue.

C.P. Cusick, supported Food Not Bombs and discussed the difference between what is considered appropriate and inappropriate.

Christine Hall, a twelve year resident of the Haight-Ashbury, supported Food Not Bombs. She reported that the Mayor's Office had received 110 letters in favor of this issue and 50 against.

Tom Osher, explained he has worked with Food Not Bombs at the Federal Building and saw no need to have a permit for this type of activity. He preferred to see people fed before recreational activities take place.

John Coughlin, a retired worker and a Sunset homeowner, supported this permit. He stated that this is one way to diffuse the madness and to address the fact that there are 19 million homeless today.

Michael Koehn, stated he was against the issuance of a permit. He said he has noticed the strip along Stanyan Street has become dirtier and that it is an eyesore.

John Dusenbury, representing Edgewood Neighborhood Association, stated he was uncomfortable opposing this issue because he supported feeding the homeless. The one aspect the Association opposed is feeding people on a regular basis in the parks. He said the granting of a permit sets a dangerous precedent and that feeding of people should be conducted indoors.

Greg Gaar, supported the staff recommendation and felt the permit should be renewed every six months. Additionally, he opposed moving the distribution site.

Patrick Lynch, supported the staff recommendation.

Peter Lambert, a squatter, supported Food Not Bombs and found it wrong that a vote was being taken on whether homelessness is a crime.

Jennifer Kirk, was in favor of a permit. She stated that parks are for everyone's use and that moving the location would only hide the homeless. She stated that being homeless is not a crime.

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PROPOSED POLICY (Continued)

Perry Matlock, a native of the Richmond District, supported Food Not Bombs request to distribute food at its present location.

September Jarrett, stated that Food Not Bombs had been fighting six months for something which should be granted. She felt the permit should be renewed every six months instead of every month.

Deetje Boler, was in favor of free food being distributed. She did not think there was a need for a permit and was in favor of Food Not Bombs distributing food wherever they desired.

Lisa Cate, was in favor of the permit and Food Not Bombs.

Rodney Hunt, was in favor of Food Not Bombs. He thanked the Commission for trying to make headway on this issue.

John Buck, spoke in favor of the permit and stated a permit should not be required. He felt one should be able to give free food anywhere they want and that the permit should not have to be reviewed monthly.

Billy Boyd, commended Food Not Bombs and supported them.

Tab Buckner, a resident of the Haight-Ashbury, supported Food Not Bombs. He stated that Golden Gate Park was used after the 1906 earthquake and to ask for a few feet of park property to serve food one day a week was a minimal request.

James Stevens, was in favor of free food distribution and stated it is inappropriate to deny free food to a hungry population.

Sue Hestor, supported the staff recommendation with the modification that the permit be reviewed every six months. She stated that this is a free speech issue as much as an open space issue.

Cynthia Larsen, works and lives along Haight Street, and was in favor of the permit. She felt the monthly review was ridiculous and urged that it be reviewed every every six months.

Geraldine Johnson, supported free food distribution in City's parks. She hoped there would have been a more liberal policy proposed but understood the Department's desire to balance the needs of everyone.

Bilbo Boggins, supported free food distribution. She felt society should first provide for the general welfare of the public and then the common defense.

Nomi Ya, supported the proposal and was concerned about the insurance requirement contained in the permit.

Michael Miller, supported the position of Food Not Bombs.

Doug Schwyn, supported Food Not Bombs and stated that millions of dollars are going to weaponry while poor people go hungry in this country.

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PROPOSED POLICY (Continued)

Commissioner McAteer explained she was not opposed to Food Not Bombs but was opposed to use of our parks for food distribution. She discussed the fragile condition of the topsoil of Golden Gate Park. She stated that the City's parks serve as the backyard for many people who have none. For those reasons, she was opposed to the granting of a permit.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15267

RESOLVED, That this Commission recommends that food distribution permits be granted on a limited basis with the following restrictions and conditions:

- Priority be given to recreation activities -- no permit be granted in an area already set aside for recreational activities;
- Permits be granted only in an area of demonstrated need;
- Permits be granted on a temporary basis for no more than one month at a time, but can be renewed as long as a demonstrated need exists and all other conditions of permit are met;
- Food service itself be allowed only on non-grass surface areas to minimize the impact on turf and plant environments and to allow for easier clean-up if spills occur;
- That permits be considered only in large, city-wide parks as defined in the Recreation and Park Commission policy on permits and reservations;
- That in city-wide parks, priority be given to permits for first amendment rights activities.
- That the permit be issued on a month to month basis.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission directs the City Attorney's office to prepare the necessary language to amend the Permit and Reservation Policy at a subsequent meeting.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Harris, Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner McAteer
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was given.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shawna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, February 7, 1989 - 1:30 P.M.
Board of Supervisors Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall

The Special meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission was called to order on Tuesday, February 7, 1989, at 1:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman and President Douglas Engmann.

1. ROLL CALL

Recreation and Park Commission

Present:

Keith Eickman, President
Richard J. Guggenhime
Tommy Harris
Jeffrey K. Mori
Connie O'Connor
Santiago Ruiz

Absent:

Frances McAteer, Vice President

City Planning Commission

Present:

Douglas Engmann, President
James Morales, Vice President
Sue Bierman
Dean Coffey (represented by Leonard Tom)
Robert Dick
Rudolf Nothenberg (represented by Joe Johnson)

2. PROPOSITION K (June, 1984) - SUNLIGHT ORDINANCE

Approval of guidelines for implementation of Section 295 of Planning Code (Proposition K - Sunlight Ordinance) for fourteen parks located in the downtown area.

Assistant Director of Planning George Williams explained that Proposition "K" was passed by the electorate and regulates the amount of shadow that can be cast on property under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission any time during the year between one hour after sunrise and one hour before sundown. The initiative provides that any building over 40 feet cannot be permitted if the Planning Commission, after consulting with the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department, determines that the shadow will have a significant impact on the use of that property. The initiative also provides that in making that determination the Planning Commission shall apply guidelines which have been approved by both the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission. Those guidelines are before the Commissions for consideration.

This matter has been reviewed and considered by the two Commissions with previous compositions and it has been their direction, after public testimony, that the initiative should be strictly interpreted and that the guidelines developed should restrict additional shadow. The study, conducted through the use of a computer model, enabled the Department to measure the cumulative amounts of shadow cast on a park during the course of a year. The staffs of both Departments have reviewed these shadow implications and considered the importance of the 14 downtown parks and has determined that, in most cases, any additional shadow would have significant adverse impact on the use of the park. There are a few exceptions. Staff is recommending guidelines that would not allow any additional shadows on the Maritime Plaza, Embarcadero Plaza I (north), Portsmouth Square, St. Mary's Square, Boeddeker Park, Chinese Playground, Sgt. Macaulley Park, Huntington Park, South of Market Park and would allow some modest amount of shadows at Embarcadero Plaza, Union Square and Civic Center.

In response to Commissioner Dick's question as to who conducted and paid for the shadow study, Mr. Williams explained that the City Planning Department obtained an appropriation from the Board of Supervisors and entered into a contract with the University of California at Berkeley to develop a computer model that would enable the Department to measure the amount of shadow cumulatively on properties. It was the intent, with respect to new projects under review which required shadow analysis, to use the methodology and recoup the City investment in developing that methodolgy, by charging developers to do sunlight tests in the future.

Commissioner Dick asked which parks are affected by the shadow ordinance. Mr. Williams explained fourteen park properties in the downtown areas. Additionally, Mr. Williams stated that the Saks Fifth Avenue expansion project is still pending. Other development proposals have been discussed but none are pending before the Commissions.

Commissioner Morales asked for a historical perspective on the guidelines; why was the approach of reviewing each issue on a "case by case basis" rejected and why height limitations were not used to restrict additional shadows.

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Mr. Williams explained that the initial approach was to look at parks individually and review the characteristics of the park, how it was used, and what portion of the park might be shadowed. This concept was submitted to the Commissions and the proponents of Proposition K clearly stated that was not the intent of the shadow ordinance. Staff then developed the proposal which is before the Commission today. Mr. Williams also explained that an alternative way to restrict shadows is through the use of uniform height limitations. Staff was of the opinion that uniform heights could become more more restrictive for development than necessary.

Commissioner Tom asked how the percentage limits were achieved for park properties. Mr. Williams explained, as an example, that when setting the percentage for Civic Center, the new library was considered. It was recognized that this development would cast some shadow on Civic Center Plaza but staff concluded that given the size of the park 1.0% would not unduly inhibit the use of this park.

Commissioner Bierman stated that the shadow ordinance is one of the most difficult issues facing the Commissions. She stated she could not stress strongly enough the necessity to adopt the staff recommendation. She also noted that the recommendation before the Commissions today was a result of much public input.

Commissioner Mori asked how the user study was considered in the staff analysis. Mr. Williams explained that user studies for parks were not considered in developing the proposal because park uses change and parks are redesigned, which would preclude the validity of user studies.

Public Testimony

John Holtzclaw, representing the Sierra Club, explained that he had not reviewed the staff proposal. It was his opinion that the 0.1% allocation for Union Square seemed a substantial amount of shadow for this park.

Robert McCarthy, stated that his letter of 2/6/89 sets out the basis for his position. He explained his opinion that the statutes should be strictly construed and that the guidelines should reflect this. He cited, as examples, the Saks Fifth Avenue project where staff made a determination that the shadow impact on Union Square is not significant and Civic Center Plaza where the percentage of shadow has been modified to accommodate the proposed new library. He suggested that the Commissions adopt the proposal as guidelines, not rules, and adopt criteria that must be met if those guidelines are breached.

Howard Wexler, representing Saks Fifth Avenue, clarified the point that Union Square is well within the 40% shadow requirement with the Saks Fifth Avenue project and that a very small percentage of the park will be shadowed. He stated that the Saks Fifth Avenue project has been on hold for a year and one-half waiting for adoption of guidelines. He urged that the guidelines be adopted and noted that it is within the power of the Commission to modify the guidelines in the future if they deem it necessary.

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Jeffrey Heller, representing Heller and Leake, gave an example of a project in which a small amount of shadow was cast for 15 minutes, for two weeks during the month of June. He suggested that in this example the amount of shadow was minimal and that in each case there needs to be some latitude and discretion.

Jon Twichell, of Jon Twichell Associates, explained there are many different facets as to what makes up a shadow and a shadow impact. He felt it would be a mistake to adopt criteria that is limiting and precludes a meritorius project from being approved. He urged the Commission not to adopt arbitrary rules and to retain some flexibility in its guidelines.

Bette Landis, stated she was one of the original workers on Proposition "K" guidelines, and had not received notice of this meeting. She explained that this item was placed on the ballot because many park properties were threatened by shadows, could become quite cold and made large segments of parks unusable. The shadow guidelines will give the Commissions a tool in which to protect City property.

Edith McMillan, discussed the social issues relating to parks and noted that there are more children in the Tenderloin and an increasing number of homeless utilizing the parks, and these people need parks without additional shadow. She stated that the Commissions must care about the quality of life and urged that the Commissions not allow an additional percentage of shadow on parks.

Steven Vettel, an attorney with Morrison & Foerster representing Bedford Properties, stated that the shadow ordinance suggests that the Commissions adopt guidelines setting forth criteria to be used by the Planning Commission for determining when new shadow would be considered insignificant. He stated that the guidelines suggest no criteria for eleven of the fourteen downtown parks. He felt the Commissions should consider each proposal on a case by case basis and urged that the guidelines be rejected.

Commissioner Johnson asked how the proposed guidelines limit the action of future Commissions.

President Engmann explained that the criteria adopted today can be changed at a future joint meeting of Recreation and Park and City Planning Commissions.

Commissioner Johnson stated that the report states that no additional shadow can be allowed on 8-10 parks. He felt that without staff considering the uses of parks this recommendation seemed extreme.

General Manager Mary Burns stated that this is a very troublesome issue in trying to protect the City's limited park space, particularly in Chinatown and the Tenderloin. She stated that the use of parks change over time and a decision cannot be based on the way a park is currently utilized. She explained at those parks that are already greatly shadowed, limits need to be set. She summarized her opinion that parks are much less usable when they are shadowed

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Commissioner Morales stated his concern that if a case-by-case basis is used it will set no standards. He preferred lower height limits based on its simplicity, but given staff's analysis, he would rely on their judgment. He expressed concern that the proposed guidelines may not set forth enough specific standards and referenced the staff recommendation for Union Square regarding winter shadows.

President Engmann stated that if the Commissions make a fine rule it must have the appropriate findings otherwise it could face legal opposition for not having the appropriate basis under the guidelines of Section 295 of the Planning Code. He felt that guidelines are necessary and that five years has lapsed without any controls. He suggested that the guidelines be adopted and reconsidered in a year.

President Eickman felt that decision could not be delayed. He stated there was a need to protect downtown parks and nothing precludes the Commissions from re-examining the guidelines in the future.

Commissioner Guggenhime thought it was imperative to adopt guidelines and noted that they could be amended in the future.

Commissioner Hu felt it was important to adopt guidelines and to have a staff report on this matter in a year.

Commissioner Mori stated he was prepared to make a recommendation and approve the criteria and have a review of that criteria in a year.

President Engmann suggested that the review date for the shadow guidelines be near 7/1/90.

For the Recreation and Park Commission: On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

For the City Planning Commission: On motion of Commissioner Morales, seconded by Commissioner Engmann, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15268

JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION AND RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION ADOPTING CRITERIA FOR DETERMINATIONS OF SIGNIFICANT SHADOWS IN FOURTEEN DOWNTOWN PARKS WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO BEING SHADOWED BY NEW DEVELOPMENT AND DECLARING THE INTENTION TO APPLY THESE CRITERIA REGARDING SHADOW IMPACTS PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A STRUCTURE THAT WOULD SHADOW A PROTECTED PROPERTY.

WHEREAS, The people of the City and County of San Francisco in June 1984 adopted an initiative ordinance, commonly known as Proposition K; and

2. PROPOSITION K (June, 1984) - SUNLIGHT ORDINANCE — RES. NO. 15268 (Continued)

WHEREAS, Proposition K requires that the City Planning Commission disapprove any building permit application authorizing the construction of any structure that will have any adverse impact on the use of property under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department because of the shading or shadowing that it will cause, unless it is determined that the impact would be insignificant; and

WHEREAS, Proposition K provides that the City Planning Commission and the Recreation and Park Commission shall adopt criteria for the implementation of that ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Proposition K can most effectively be implemented by analyzing properties in the City protected by that legislation which could be shadowed by new development, the current patterns of use of such properties, how such properties might be used in the future including considerations of possible future design and redevelopment of the property, and the various shadowing that could be created by various structures, including the amount of shadowing, the duration, and location; and

WHEREAS, The City Planning Commission and Recreation and Park Commission endorsed the submission by the department of City Planning to the Mayor of a request for a supplemental appropriation in order to fund an analysis of properties that could be shadowed by new development (Resolution No. 13887); and

WHEREAS, A contract was awarded to the University of California at Berkeley's College of Environmental Design to develop a computerized system which could analyze existing shadow conditions on Proposition K properties and provide information to these Commissions necessary to establish rules of guidelines delineating the type of shadowing that can be determined to be significant or insignificant; and

WHEREAS, a computerized system of analysis was developed and used to analyze existing shadow conditions on fourteen downtown parks under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department; and

WHEREAS, The information developed by this computer analysis was then evaluated jointly by the staffs at the Department of City Planning and the Recreation and Park Department; and

WHEREAS, Recommendations for determinations of significant new shadows based on these staff evaluations were presented jointly to the Commissions in October and November of 1987; and

WHEREAS, Additional presentations were made to both Commissions in 1988 and 1989; and

WHEREAS, A duly advertised public hearing was held on these recommendations; and

2. PROPOSITION K (June, 1984) - SUNLIGHT ORDINANCE — RES. NO. 15268 (Continued)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the criteria and the staff proposal for consideration by both Commissions presented in the memorandum to the Planning Commission and the Recreation and Park Commission dated February 3, 1989 regarding "Proposition K -- The Sunlight Ordinance" and describing criteria for determining significance be adopted as rules and guidelines for the determinations of significant shadows for the fourteen downtown parks analyzed.

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the guidelines, as amended (Union Square winter shadows) for implementation of Section 295 of Planning Code (Proposition K - Sunlight Ordinance) for fourteen parks located in the downtown area.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of City Planning will report the impact of these guidelines to a joint meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission sometime near or around 7/1/90.

3. OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES
ACQUISITION

Approval of acquisition of the following properties, through eminent domain proceedings, if necessary: (The Commissions may convene in Executive Session to discuss these matters.)

- India Basin (Block 4629A, Lots 3-6,9,11,13/Block 4605 Lots 11-18, Block 4622 Lots 7-8, 12-13,16,19)
- Rock Outcropping (Block 2050-A, Lots 6,11,12,21,22)
- Japanese Peace Plaza (Block 700, Lot 22)

3:20 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. The Commissions convened in Executive Session.

Assistant General Manager for Administration Phil Arnold explained that this item pertains to property acquisition under the Open Space Program. There are three groups of properties which are part of the Open Space Program that has been adopted by both Commissions for acquisition. The properties have been referred to the Director of Property in the Real Estate Department who has attempted to acquire these properties. In some cases a settlement has not been reached with the property owners. If a settlement cannot be reached the properties will have to be acquired through eminent domain.

Public Testimony

Sidney Pine, spoke in favor of acquisition of the Rock Outcropping. He stated that this area is a natural, wilderness open space adjacent to Grandview Park. This area is a remaining remnant of the original San Francisco wilderness. Some of the plant materials on the Rock Outcropping are quite rare such as the San Francisco Wallflower.

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James Kindregran, representing the Golden Gate Heights Neighborhood Association, strongly urged the Commission to acquire the Rock Outcropping, through eminent domain, if necessary. He reiterated the element of the Open Space plan to preserve natural open space. He stated the rock formation is over a million years in its present configuration and is the sole remaining example of an unique ecological region in San Francisco. Additionally, this area was included in the original Open Space Plan of 1975.

Ronald Ywamasa, a member of the Ad Hoc Committee to keep the Peace Plaza as open space, stated that many meetings and discussions have taken place regarding this issue. He noted that both City Planning and Recreation and Park Commissions voted to set aside funds to purchase this property and recommended eminent domain proceedings to Board of Supervisors. He asked what caused the delays and urged the Commissions to proceed with the acquisition.

Director of Property Tony Delucchi explained the Real Estate Department has not received a response to the offer submitted to the property owner and has been unsuccessful in scheduling face to face negotiations. He stated his Department is in the process of hiring an independent appraiser.

Stephen Kirsch, a Geology teacher at San Francisco State University, spoke in defense of retaining the rock outcropping as an open space. He highlighted the geologic importance of this area and noted that the rock outcropping is an excellent teaching example.

Elie Tennenbaum, supported acquisition of Rock Outcropping on Golden Gate Heights. He explained that in 1979 he was assured that Rock Outcropping would be acquired in the future and outlined the many steps taken by the City to acquire this land. He noted that Proposition J specifically mentioned the Rock Outcropping as a priority purchase.

Mr. Delucchi explained that the Real Estate Department has made an offer to the property owner, Mr. Sparks, who has indicated, through his attorney, that the offer is not acceptable.

Lawrence Rouble, a resident on Ortega Street, adjoining 14th Avenue, explained that 14th Avenue is a very narrow street. When residents park opposite the Rock Outcropping the roadway narrows only allowing one lane of traffic. He was concerned that if another building was built on the Rock Outcropping site congestion would increase.

Pat Langdell, a member of the Board of Directors of Golden Gate Heights Neighborhood Association, stated that she has been fortunate to live 1/2 block from Rock Outcropping since 1952. She loved the Rock Outcropping and felt it should be viewed as a precious treasure.

3. OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES
ACQUISITION (Continued)

Lydia Cassorla, a resident of Golden Gate Heights, spoke in favor of acquiring the Rock Outcropping. She explained that this entire piece of property was part of original element of the Open Space Master Plan. She noted that the current owner of Lot 6 purchased it a few years ago at a sum of 25% of the current asking price. She urged the Commission to acquire the property through eminent domain.

John Kosewic, spoke about the India Basin acquisition and did not understand why the City wanted this property since it is located in an industrial area and that PG&E is next to the property.

Bette Landis, an original member of the Open Space Committee, explained that part of the Open Space Master Plan urged the creation of maritime use parks. India Basin would constitute the only shoreline park, with the exception of Aquatic Park, and is located in a high need area. She further explained that the Japanese Peace Plaza was constructed on a closed section of a dedicated street and that the Redevelopment Agency sold a portion of this property. She stated the Peace Plaza is a gathering place for the Japanese and a cultural landmark. She urged the Commissions to make every effort to acquire the Plaza.

Charles Morimoto, with the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California, spoke in favor of the Japanese Peace Plaza. He urged the Commissions to proceed with eminent domain and explained this area plays an important role for seniors and functions as a park. Several programs occur in this area such as the cherry blossom festival.

Thomas Stone, spoke about India Basin and stated that much time has been spent on acquiring these properties. He urged the Commission to proceed and bring this matter to a conclusion, if need be, through eminent domain.

Dennis Hayashi, reaffirmed the comments made by Mr. Ywamasa. He stated that time had come for reaffirmation of its previous position to acquire peace Plaza.

Hugh Bell, President of Sunset Heights Association of Responsible People, representing 2100 residents of the Sunset District, spoke in favor of the purchase of Rock Outcropping by whatever means possible. He explained his Association is concerned that developers will ruin and damage the properties.

Ruth Gravanis, spoke in favor of the Rock Outcropping, and considered the area to be a City wide resource. She highlighted the uniqueness of the Rock Outcropping in terms of its geologic history, its view and neighborhood landmark. Additionally, unlike many of the properties acquired by the City, this property does not require development. The Open Space element of the Master Plan directs the Commissions to consider natural areas. She further stated that India Basin would serve an open space need for the waterfront area. She stated this is a wonderful opportunity to develop bay shoreline restoration and urged acquisition.

For the City Planning Commission: On motion of Commissioner Morales, seconded by Commissioner Dick, the following resolution was adopted:

3. OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES
ACQUISITION (Continued)

For the Recreation and Park Commission: On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15269

WHEREAS, the electorate of San Francisco on November 1974 approved a new Charter Section 6.413 establishing the Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund to be supported by an annual ten cent Ad Valorem tax for a 15-year period; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 specifies that the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department shall annually present a report on the disposition of the Fund for approval by a majority of each of the Recreation and Park Commission and the City Planning Commission meeting jointly; and

WHEREAS, In formulating the 1987-1988 and 1988-1989 programs, the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department closely considered the recommendations of the Open Space/Park Renovation Citizens Advisory Committee which were made after several months of diligent work that involved community discussions, field investigations, and public hearings; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 requires that the program be consistent with the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Comprehensive Plan (Master Plan) and in accordance with the Recreation and Open Space Programs document; and

WHEREAS, The General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department on May 28, 1987, presented to the two Commissions, meeting jointly, the program entitled "General Manager's Report: Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund, Fiscal Year 1987-1988," dated May 27, 1987, which included acquisition of property known as the Rock Outcropping; and

WHEREAS, The General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department on April 18, 1988, presented to the two Commissions, meeting jointly, the program entitled "General Manager's Report: Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund, Fiscal Year 1988-1989," dated April 28, 1988, which included acquisition of properties at India Basin and the Japanese Peace Plaza; and

WHEREAS, The City Planning Commission and the Recreation and Park Commission jointly approved the disposition of the Fund and program contained in the "General Manager's Report: Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund, Fiscal Year 1988-1989," dated April 28, 1988; and

WHEREAS, Acquisition of the three properties was found to be in conformity with the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Master Plan, and in accordance with the Recreation and Open Space programs document, approved by the City Planning Commission on May 24, 1973, as amended by the City Planning Commission on July 9, 1987, and March 24, 1988;

3. OPEN SPACE PROPERTIES
ACQUISITION (Continued)

RES. NO. 15269
(Continued)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to the General Manager's recommendation the City Planning Commission and the Recreation and Park Commission do hereby approve and authorize the Director of Property to acquire the properties at India Basin, Japanese Peace Plaza, and the Rock Outcropping.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Harris, Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner McAteer, Guggenhime

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commissions on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park and City Planning Commissions. Members of the public may address the Commissions for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Tom Stone, asked the Commissions for the time frame in whch they plan to proceed with eminent domain procedures with regard to Item #3.

Adam Sparks, the owner of a major piece of the Rock Outcropping, welcomed the concept of an independent appraiser to review his property.

Elizabeth Grace, an attorney representing Adam Sparks, asked questions of Deputy City Attorney Andrew Schwartz with regard to eminent domain procedures.

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

632ND REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-Second Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, February 16, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (noted present at 2:05 p.m.)
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:45 p.m.)
Absent:
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the minutes of the Regular meeting of January 16, 1989 were approved with the following amendment:

On Page 13 - the statement of Terry Steinke should read:

Terry Steinke, Secretary of the Art Guild, stated that it USED TO cost $25 per location per month which would at most mean that the artists would pay $75 a month for 6-8 days of showing. It is NOW $25 per day. He urged the Commission to consider not raising the fee to $150.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioners McAteer, Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the minutes of the Special meeting of January 25, 1989 were approved with the following amendments:

On Page 6 - the statement of Marcia Rosen should state that she represented the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council, the Haight Ashbury Preservation Society, the Ecumenical Ministry of the Haight Ashbury and Cole Valley Neighbors.

On Page 10 - the statement of Scott Miller should state that he opposed free food distribution.

On Page 11 - the statement of Billy Boyd should state that he is on the Board of the San Francisco Vegetarian Society.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioners McAteer, Ruiz

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary Burns, submitted the following report:

"UPDATE ON INCIDENT AT CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

Last summer, the ten-year-old daughter of a family visiting from Pennsylvania experienced a terrible accident in Children's Playground in Golden Gate Park. After the child came down a slide, her foot was punctured by a hypodermic needle hidden in the sand. University of California Emergency Hospital recommended periodic blood tests for AIDS and hepatitis. Claims Investigator Irene Casserly received a letter from her father on February 6, 1989 with the good news that to date the tests have been negative. The father also thanked Irene for the kind and compassionate treatment she afforded them on that day in July.

CHARITABLE SOLICITORS

I have made periodic reports to you regarding the problem with charitable solicitors vending tee shirts, sweatshirts and other goods in the vicinity of the Japanese Tea Garden, Twin Peaks Parking Lot and at Coit Tower. I have been advised by the City Attorney's Office that oral arguments will be presented to the U.S. Court of Appeals on March 16, 1989. It is hoped that the City will prevail and we will be able to once again prohibit this type of commercial activities in parks. I continue to receive numerous complaints from the public especially regarding the set-up at the Tea Garden gate, thinking that the Department has authorized the activity. I will continue to keep you informed.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

HEALTH CENTER #3 PROPOSAL

Mayor Agnos has convened a series of "cluster groups" in trying to resolve various issues that cross department lines. Because there was no Deputy Mayor appointed for Cultural and Recreation, that group has been split into several other clusters. I attend the one chaired by Deputy Mayor, Myra Snyder, which focuses on health and human services. Members of this group, which includes the Department of Social Services, Public Health, Commission on Aging, the Public Guardian, and Mayor's staff, have met periodically for over a year. At a day-long retreat that this Department hosted recently, it was suggested that these various departments work together in providing an inter-agency service approach on a trial basis in one neighborhood of the City. It has been decided to focus on Health Center #3 which is located near Silver and San Bruno Avenue in the southeast quadrant of the City. A task force of representatives of the various departments has been meeting to put together a coordinated service delivery plan after meeting with people in the community to determine what services need to be emphasized. Nan Neal, Assistant Superintendent of Recreation for Community Services, is representing the Department on the Implementation Task Force.

SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING ON MT. DAVIDSON CROSS

Your Commission Secretary has been in touch with you to schedule a Special Commission meeting to take up the subject of the concerns regarding the Mt. Davidson Cross. I have received a communication from the City Attorney's Office outlining certain options and will be making a recommendation to you on what steps, if any, you should take to resolve this issue. This issue is the subject of great public concern, and I anticipate that a large number of people will attend the hearing.

COMMISSION POLICY ON SALE OF ANIMALS FROM THE ZOO

Recently, press reports have suggested that the Zoo is providing animals for wild game hunts. It is the policy of this Commission and of Zoo management not to provide any animals to any facilities engaging in such hunts. We have asked each broker with whom we do business whether they provide animals to such facilities, and in each case have been told that they do not. If we learn of any animal being provided to any such facility, we will immediately terminate all business with that broker and report them to the appropriate licensing agency.

BABY GORILLA BINTI JUA

Binti Jua, the baby gorilla who came to us as a result of a breeding loan program with the Columbus, Ohio Zoo has left the Zoo nursery to become part of the Gorilla World family. She will slowly be introduced to the group and gradually weaned from human care. This is a very exciting time for all of her keepers, and it is planned to keep her at the Zoo from four to seven years until she is of mating age, at which time she will probably be moved to another zoo because so many of the males in the group are related to her.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

ZOO ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Zoo Advisory Committee is holding regular meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month. The Committee has divided into three subcommittees, and the subcommittees will focus on the areas of animal care, veterinary care and facilities. It is expected that this initial phase of the Committee work will take approximately two months, at which time they will look into other areas of interest to the Committee.

SEARCH FOR NEW ZOO DIRECTOR

Phil Arnold, Assistant General Manager, Administration, has been appointed Interim Zoo Director until such time as a new director has been found to replace Saul Kitchener. The Department has placed an ad in the March edition of the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums (AAZPA) magazine, and I have been soliciting from experts in the zoo world suggested names of people that the Department ought to personally contact to let them know that the job is open. The current timetable calls for a cutoff of written applications by April 15. These applications will be screened by a panel to evaluate those which should be considered for oral interview. I hope to have a recommendation for confirmation to the Commission in May or June.

BEACH CHALET

As directed by the Commission at its meeting of December 15, 1988, staff has met and reached agreement on the lease terms with the Beach Chalet Group, Inc. The Group has obtained firm commitments from Capital General Corporation for the entire $3.5 million to finance the Beach Chalet project. The lease will be presented to the Finance and Administration Committee for approval at its March 2nd meeting.

COLD WEATHER DAMAGE REPORT

The cold front out of Alaska gave us the coldest temperatures ever recorded in Golden Gate Park. The Arboretum registered temperatures as low as 23°F two nights over the last two weeks. Some damage is already apparent. Most of the impact is in the Cloud Forest Collection where much damage is visible, some severe, and losses are expected. After the growing season begins, final determination of losses will be made.

Fortunately, there was no significant damage to permanent plant materials in the rest of Golden Gate Park and neighborhood parks and squares. However, some of the more tender annuals were affected, and will have to be replaced.

LECTURE SERIES PRELUDE TO LANDSCAPE GARDEN SHOW

Again this year the Strybing Arboretum Society is sponsoring a lecture series prior to the San Francisco Landscape Garden Show titled "The California Garden." Brochures are included in your packets describing the lectures.

Also in you packets is a press release announcing Strybing's First Annual Awards Dinner Honoring Excellence in Urban Landscape. This is intended to be an annual event sponsored by the Strybing Arboretum Society serving as a fundraising event and honoring excellence in urban landscape.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

URBAN PARK AND RECREATION ALLIANCE SPRING MEETING

I have just returned from the Annual Spring Meeting of the Urban Park and Recreation Alliance (UPRA). It was once again a very stimulating and productive session. I will prepare a more detailed report, as I have done in the past, on various subject matters that we discussed at length, as well as a report on the state of urban parks throughout the country.

RETIREMENTS

Frank Beattie	3418 Gardener Asst. Sup.	23 years
Albert Conragen	3285 Jr. Museum Director	34 years
Timothy Coyne	7344 Carpenter	18 years
Alton Holmes	1718 Custodian Sup. I	20 years
Mary Lyons	3204 Pool Cashier Clerk	23 years
Patrick Roonan	7514 Gen. Laborer	21 years

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, March 1, 1989	Special Commission Budget Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Sunset Recreation Center (Auditorium)
Thursday, March 2, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, March 2, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Monday, March 6, 1989	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15270

RESOLVED, That This Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period January 5, 1989 through February 1, 1989.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS — RES. NO. 15271

RESOLVED, That This Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Patricia Anderson	$100.00
Constance M. Blank	340.00
Kathleen Buckley	55.00
Annice Davis	286.80
Beverly Del Grosso	63.90
Stanley J. Potter	373.58

RESOLVED, That This Commission ratifies the following transactions authorized by Department staff under Recreation and Park Department Resolution No. 13572 providing for the continuous and uninterrupted operation of the Department:

c. COURTS, VARIOUS LOCATIONS — RES. NO. 15272
INCREASE IN CONSTRUCTION CONTINGENCY

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the increase in construction contingency in the amount of $25,000.00 from unassigned for patching courts at various locations.

d. OPEN SPACE PROGRAM — RES. NO. 15273
TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following transfer of Open Space funds per Charter Section 6.305: $5,085.39 in equipment Neighborhood Parks and $938.22 in materials & supplies Community Services to equipment Community Services.

e. SHARP PARK GOLF COURSE — RES. NO. 15274
RENT CREDIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the $948.86 rent credit for repair of damage to lighting equipment at Sharp Park Golf Course.

f. SAN FRANCISCO LEAGUE OF URBAN GARDENERS — RES. NO. 15275
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the $35,000 contract for one year beginning March 1989 with the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioners McAteer, Ruiz

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. GOLDEN GATE PARK
SHARON MEADOW
A'LA CARTE, A'LA PARK

Approval of the request of Michael Levine to reserve Sharon Meadow for the Fifth Annual A'La Carte, A'La Park event September 3, 4 & 5, 1989.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item is a request from Michael Levine of Events West to use Sharon Meadow, Golden Gate Park for a three day event. This item requires Commission approval because the request is for three consecutive days. The financial terms for this event will be negotiated and calendared for Commission action at a later date. He stated this event offers music, entertainment and a picnic-like atmosphere with sampling of foods for a fee. Mr. Robinson explained the area was fenced last year and the Department received 20% of the gate receipts.

President Eickman raised the issue that the calendared dates were incorrect and that the proper dates should be Saturday-Monday, September 2-4, 1989.

Commissioner Harris asked if there were any problems with the permit issued last year and Mr. Robinson explained there was no damage to the meadow, clean up was done properly and that the event drew between 15,000 and 18,000 people per day.

General Manager Mary Burns explained there was some opposition expressed at the Committee level from a representative of the Sierra Club stating that this event was not a recreational use of the park.

Greg Gaar, explained that last year A'La Carte, A'La Park fenced the entire meadow from the Sharon Building, to Kezar and John F. Kennedy Drives. Therefore, the neighborhood could not utilize the meadow area during the Labor Day weekend and it further congested the other meadows. He reminded the Commission that during this paid admission event last year members of the Food Not Bombs organization were arrested for distributing free food. The Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council sent a letter to the General Manager expressing concern about fencing this area of the park. He asked if the event could be handled as it had been in the prior years when the meadow was not fenced off precluding the public from use of the area.

Mr. Robinson explained that one of the issues presented last year, in order to generate revenue for the Department, was that if the meadow were fenced, an admission fee could be charged, and the financial rewards would be greater to the Department.

President Eickman stated he was willing to allow A'La Carte, A'La Park to fence the area if it generated revenue for the Department. He asked staff to review the meadow area to evaluate if a lesser portion could be cordoned off.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

5. GOLDEN GATE PARK
SHARON MEADOW
A'LA CARTE, A'LA PARK (Continued)

RES. NO. 15276

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of Michael Levine of Events West to reserve Sharon Meadow for the Fifth Annual A'La Carte, A'La Park event Saturday-Monday, September 2, 3, and 4, 1989.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioners McAteer, Ruiz

6. GOLDEN GATE PARK
SHARON MEADOW
OXFAM AMERICA

Approval of the request of Oxfam America to reserve Sharon Meadow for an international festival September 30 and October 1, 1989.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this is a request from Oxfam America to reserve Sharon Meadow, Golden Gate Park, for a two day event. This item requires Commission approval because the request is for two consecutive days.

Molly Steiner, representing Oxfam America, explained her organization plans to hold a festival celebrating the various cultures of Asia, Africa, and Latin America. She stated her organization's interest to use Golden Gate Park because Sharon Meadow could accommodate the number of people expected. The festival will offer crafts, entertainment, ethnic food booths, children's activities and storytelling. Additionally, the organizers plan to fence the area and charge admission.

Commissioner Harris asked if this organization obtained a permit and then, in turn, rented space for a fee to various craft and food groups.

General Manager Mary Burns clarified the point that this item is approval of the dates and that the financial terms and conditions will be calendared at a future meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15277

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of Oxfam America to reserve Sharon Meadow for an international festival September 30 and October 1, 1989.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioners McAteer, Ruiz

7. GOLDEN GATE PARK
MUSIC CONCOURSE
PSYCHIC FAIR

Approval of the request of Gail Halloran, Deja Vu Publishing Company, to reserve a portion of the Music Concourse for a psychic fair October 14 & 15, 1989.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item is a request to use the Music Concourse, Golden Gate Park, for a two day event. Last year the psychic fair was held at the Music Concourse for one day. The area to be utilized will be the end of the concourse area, away from the bandshell. Additionally, the event coordinator has requested a ban on use of cameras at this event. Staff did not approve this request. The financial terms for this event will be negotiated and calendared for Commission action at a later date.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15278

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of Gail Halloran, Deja Vu Publishing Company, to reserve a portion of the Music Concourse for a psychic fair October 14 & 15, 1989.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioners McAteer, Ruiz

8. POTRERO DEL SOL PARK
CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL

Approval of the request of the Mission Economic and Cultural Association to reserve Potrero Del Sol Park for the annual "Cinco de Mayo" festival Saturday and Sunday, May 6 & 7, 1989.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item is a request to hold a two day festival at Potrero Del Sol for the Cinco de Mayo Festival. The festival has been held at this park for several years and there have been problems with noise. Mr. Robinson explained that this year a new producer has been contracted and he felt comfortable that the problems which existed in the past could be resolved. The financial terms for this event will be negotiated and calendared for a future meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee.

President Eickman asked if there were any other two day events held at Potrero Del Sol and Mr. Robinson stated that this festival is the only two day event held at that park.

Katherine Matteoni, a nearby resident of Potrero del Sol park, stated that she was opposed to a two day event at this park and felt Potrero Del Sol was too small for the Cinco de Mayo festival. She explained that attendees congregate at the steps of nearby residences and she objected to this intrusion. She preferred that it be held only one day.

8. POTRERO DEL SOL PARK
CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL (Continued)

O.G. Matteoni, a nearby resident of Potrero del Sol park, felt that this particular park was too small for such an event and thought Mission Dolores was a more appropriate site. He stated that people who attend this event park in the residents' driveways and leave debris in front of their homes. He strongly objected to the granting of this permit.

Lorraine Yeoman, representing the East Mission Improvement Association, protested the granting of this permit because there are no parking facilities in the area of Potrero del Sol park. She explained that the majority of street parking available is used by San Francisco General Hospital employees and visitors. People who attend the festival spill out of the park and congregate in the neighborhood. This festival adversely affects the nearby residents and there is a great deal of debris and trash and there are incidents of people using public areas for restrooms. She felt this event should be held off street in a large facility. Even though the festival ends at a reasonable hour, the attendees stay and celebrate to the early morning hours.

President Eickman acknowledged the concerns of the residents but felt that consideration should be given to the fact that this event is held only once a year.

Commissioner Mori felt that Mr. Robinson should negotiate stringent terms for this permit including the provision of adequate restroom facilities and proper clean up.

General Manager Mary Burns felt that staff should be present on both days to report their findings to the Commission. She noted that perhaps this event has outgrown the size of the park.

Commissioner Guggenhime stressed that the neighborhood's concerns should be addressed and that those requesting the permit must be made aware that the granting the permit is not a right. The group is expected to meet all of the permit terms and conditions.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15279

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the Mission Economic and Cultural Association to reserve Potrero Del Sol Park for the annual "Cinco de Mayo" festival Saturday and Sunday, May 6 & 7, 1989.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission directs the Superintendent of Recreation to include the following items in the permit:

- adequate restroom facilities;
- proper clean up of the park and nearby area; and
- staff will be on site to monitor this event

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioners McAteer, Ruiz

2:45 p.m. Commissioner Ruiz arrived at the meeting.

2:45-2:50 p.m. Commissioner Guggenhime was absent from the meeting room.

9. GOLDEN GATE PARK
BUNNY MEADOW
SAN FRANCISCO SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Approval of the 6-week installation of a stage and bleachers for San Francisco Shakespeare Festival.

Assistant Superintendent of Golden Gate Park Jim Rogers explained that the Shakespeare Festival has been performing near the Garfield statue on the east side of the Conservatory. Some time ago, the Commission approved a different location for the Shakespeare Festival on the west side of the Conservatory in an area called Bunny Meadow. Mr. Rogers suggested that a temporary stage and bleachers be installed during the period of this performance. This year bleachers will be used on a trial basis to see if it an acceptable way of limiting the audience size. The bleachers will not interfere with any other park use of this area.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15280

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 6-week installation of a stage and bleachers for San Francisco Shakespeare Festival.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Harris, Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioners Guggenhime, McAteer

10. MARINI PLAZA
RENOVATION PLAN

Approval of proposed renovation plan for Marini Plaza.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained that recently Friends of Recreation and Parks sponsored a program asking Park employees to submit projects which Friends would fund. The project limit could not exceed $50,000. Many noteworthy projects were submitted and the design proposal for Marini Plaza at Washington Square Park was selected by Friends of Recreation and Parks. The project was submitted by brother and sister gardener team, Julie and Mike Johnson, of the Recreation and Park Department.

President Eickman explained this is a small park adjacent to Washington Square, with statues and a small pond. Currently, the small triangle is overgrown with ivy and part of the renovation project will provide an irrigation system.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

10. MARINI PLAZA
RENOVATION PLAN (Continued)

RES. NO. 15281

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed renovation plan for Marini Plaza.

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General Manager Mary Burns noted that many worthwhile projects were submitted and the Department is looking for other funding sources to undertake some of them.

President Eickman thanked Friends of Recreation and Park for funding this project and expressed his gratitude and appreciation to them.

11. McLAREN PARK
MASTER PLAN

Conceptual approval of McLaren Park Master Plan as amended by the January 6, 1989 Supplement.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained the McLaren Master Plan has been developed over many years. In 1983 a Master Plan was presented and not approved. Staff has developed and redrafted a plan, met with the community and incorporated a number of modifications to the October, 1988 proposal. She reviewed some of the elements and modifications to the Master Plan:

- Continue the multi-use path trail and bring the trail away from the top of the ridge line and encircle the southern portion of the ridge.
- The community preferred to keep Mansell Street open and provide traffic safety improvements to make it more pedestrian oriented.
- Develop a detailed fire control plan as a high priority.
- Upgrade existing amphitheater.
- Develop an education program with local schools to promote care of the park and reduce vandalism.
- Investigate the development of additional income-producing facilities in the park, with charges/fees reverting to park support and maintenance.
- Restroom renovation and construction should be addressed as a high priority.
- Regulate motorcycle and dirt bike access.
- Examine methods to protect sensitive habitats, such as the relic freshwater pond and the drainage along Shelley Drive, from human and domestic animal intrusion.
- Develop site recommendations for a proposed Vietnam Memorial in McLaren Park. Since the memorial shall not be funded by the Recreation and Park Department amaintenance endowment would be required.
- Upper reservoir should be enhanced for some recreational purpose.

President Eickman explained that a portion of the $18 Million bond issue recently approved by the electorate will be available to fund elements of the McLaren Master Plan.

11. McLAREN PARK
MASTER PLAN (Continued)

Reeva Olson, a nearby resident, uses McLaren Park frequently, and was concerned that there is a total absence of functioning restroom facilities or drinking fountains. She explained it is difficult to rent any of the park facilities because of the lack of the restroom facilities. She hoped that this would be resolved expeditiously. She also urged that Mansell Street not be narrowed and felt that these improvements would increase the usage of the park.

Ms. Learner explained that providing adequate restroom facilities is a very high priority. A suggestion was made to perhaps place portable restrooms temporarily in the park until such time as the restrooms are renovated/constructed.

Commissioner Ruiz wanted assurance that the restroom issue would be addressed as soon as possible.

Ms. Learner explained she will place this matter on the priority list for the Departmental maintenance crew but it would still take a number of months before improvements are made. Additionally, community members can contact her office for a status on the restroom project.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15282

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the McLaren Park Master Plan as amended by the January 6, 1989 supplement.

12. GREAT HIGHWAY
LINCOLN TO SLOAT
POSTING OF SPEED LIMIT AND PAVEMENT MESSAGE

Approval of the placement of pavement message with language stating "10 MPH speed limit" and "Bicyclists Yield to Pedestrians" along the multi-purpose trail; and posting of bike route signs on Upper Great Highway.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained the new multi purpose recreational trail on the Great Highway is heavily used and some user conflict problems have developed. She met with representatives of the community, Clean Water Program, Traffic Engineering and other agencies to resolve this issue. It was suggested that pavement messages be placed on trail. In addition, Traffic Engineering, will post cycling signage. The right hand lane of the roadway is extra wide and can accommodate cycling.

Elaine Grimm, asked why a pavement message was suggested rather than signage.

Ms. Learner explained it would be seen on the pavement, could not be easily vandalized and would also avoid the proliferation of signage.

Frances Larkin, asked if she could be assured that the pavement message would be maintained after it fades and becomes illegible.

12. GREAT HIGHWAY
LINCOLN TO SLOAT
POSTING OF SPEED LIMIT AND PAVEMENT MESSAGE (Continued)

President Eickman explained that Ms. Larkin should contact Department staff to keep them aware of the maintenance needs for the pavement message.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15283

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the placement of pavement message with language stating "10 MPH speed limit", "Bicyclists Yield to Pedestrians" and "Keep Right" along the multi-purpose trail and posting of bike route signs on Upper Great Highway.

13. SENIOR CENTER GRANT

Approval of a resolution authorizing application for a grant in the amount of $250,000 for a senior center in the Sunset District.

Assistant General Manager for Administration Phil Arnold explained the Commission on Aging has issued a request for proposal in the amount of $250,000 to develop a senior center in the Sunset. The Department has a facility that could meet the needs of this program but does not have the staff. Self Help for the Elderly, an agency which serves seniors, has offered to provide the staff. The Department wishes to submit a joint grant with Self Help for the Elderly, for a senior center in the Sunset District.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15284

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a resolution authorizing joint application for a grant in the amount of $250,000 for a senior center in the Sunset District.

14. GOLF COURSE
POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Approval of golf course policies and procedures.

Note: This item was removed from the calendar.

15. MISSION RECREATION CENTER
INDOOR MURAL

Conceptual approval of indoor mural at Mission Recreation Center.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item is a proposal for an indoor mural at Mission Recreation Center. The mural would be placed in the lobby area of the auditorium of the building.

Betsie Miller-Kusz, the artist, explained the center is heavily used by spanish speaking residents of the area and she wanted a design to reflect this culture. The proposal is based on handmade paper bark figures designed by the Otomi Indians of San Pablito. Another section of the mural will have stylized renditions of papaya and orange leaves, jaguars, which are a sacred animals to these Indians, a Bird of Paradise and other figures. Ms. Miller-Kusz, who teaches art classes, stated that her students will do the mural work.

Ms. Miller-Kusz explained that Commissioner McAteer suggested that a legend be placed next to the mural explaining the mythology and meaning of the mural.

Conrad Okamoto, Director of the Mural Resource Center, explained that his Center is responsible for maintaining the mural for a five year period. He stated that very little "tagging" occurs on indoor murals and that the maintenance factor should be minimal. The type of paint and anti-graffiti sealer which will be used on the mural should protect the artwork.

Helen Sant, the Recreation Director at Mission Recreation Center, stated that the staff and community supported this mural and that Ms. Kusz worked with them from the inception of this project.

Carlos Nolasco, who works at the Mission Reading Clinic, uses the Mission Recreation Center for community events and felt the mural would enhance the facility and urged approval.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Commission's approval is for the use of the site; the artistic merits of the mural must be approved by the Arts Commission.

Steven Eiger, felt an explanation and history of the mural was an important component of this mural.

Maria Alvaraz, who lives across the street from the Mission Recreation Center, explained that she uses the facility frequently and that it is a tremendous resource to her family. She urged approval of the mural.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15285

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the indoor mural at Mission Recreation Center.

16. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90

Approval of the baseline budget for the Recreation and Park Department fo fiscal year 1989-90.

General Manager Mary Burns explained the City is facing a revenue shortfal in the range of $72 to 75 Million. This figure is still being estimated The opening of Nordstrom's downtown store has increased the amount o commercial activity in the Union Square area and has had a positive effec on the Department. Last year, employee's pay raises were frozen; this yea the employees will get a pay raise. These raises are based on a formula se in the Charter and the projected cost of the salary increase is in the rang of $100 Million. What is before the Commission today is half of the budge process. There is a deadline to submit what is called a baseline budget with any augmentations the Department would like to propose. She cited som of the proposed augmentations including increase in staffing for th Aquatics Division for safety related increases and funding to maintain th Great Highway multi-purpose recreational trail, which was mitigation for th sewer project. She stated that unlike many other departments, Recreatio and Park can generate revenue. Last year, many fees and charges wer increased. This year, staff plans to propose new revenue sources. At th special meeting on March 1, 1989, the revenue package and reductions i other areas of the Department will be considered in order to achieve th required 10% General Fund reduction. She further explained that the Mayor' Office has stated that the Department is not required to submit the 10 reduction in services; they would like to see a revenue package and som cuts in expenditures.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle summarized the 1989-90 proposed budget:

Major Staff Changes:

- Addition of nine pool lifeguards (a safety related item to have tw lifeguards on duty)
- Staff for new 6th & Folsom Park (5 recreation directors, 2 custodian and 1 gardener)
- Latchkey/Extended Hours (currently there are 14 latchkey sites; th Recreation Division is proposing to extend 6 part time Directors t full time status)
- Day Care (proposing that the Department operate a day care center - positions)
- Great Highway (1 gardener supervisor, 2 gardeners, 1 custodian t maintain the Great Highway)
- North Beach, Buchanan Street Mall, exterior Ella Hill Hutch, Variou Parks (1 custodian and 3 gardeners)
- Weekend Custodial Coverage (2 additional custodians on weekends)
- Revenue Development (a position to develop marketing needs for th Department)
- Assistant Zoo Director (the Zoo currently does not have this position)
- Director Neighborhood Services (plan for an office of Neighborhoo Services to implement Proposition E)

16. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90 (Continued)

Other Major Changes:

- Aquatic Supervisory Restructure (to provide an on-site supervisor at pools)
- Expansion of Athletic Day Care (expand a camp to McLaren Park)
- Upgrade the Randall Museum Director position
- Upgrade Finance Director position
- Upgrade Zoo Clerical position
- Open Zoo Friday Nights during the Summer
- Sharp Park Rifle Range Closure (a reduction)
- Substitute 7 Gardeners for 7 Laborers (for chipper crews)
- Substitute Telephone Operator for a generic clerical position
- Transfer Computer Programmer Services (provide computer programming that was formerly done by the Controller's Office)
- Golden Gate Park custodial supervision (substitute 2 custodians for 1 custodial supervisor)
- Neighborhood Park Reforestation Program (transferring funding source)

Other budget matters facing the Department include:

- Sewer service charge at the Zoo (estimated cost of $200,000)
- Move positions paid out of temporary salaries to permanent salaries
- Reduce Fringe Benefit Calculation
- After School Funding Next Year (the recently approved legislation places a cap on the percentage of funding set aside for After School Program)
- Department Overhead cost (administrative services provided to special funds, e.g., Candlestick Park Fund)

Mr. Prindle displayed the proposed budget for fiscal year 1989-90 and broke it down according to the specific funding sources: (1) General Fund, (2) Revenue Fund, (3) Open Space Fund, (4) Candlestick Park Fund and (5) Yacht Harbor Fund. For each funding source, he displayed the operating and capital costs and the current budget, baseline budget, and augmentation budget. In addition, he enumerated the fund balance for each of the five funding sources.

A Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission has been scheduled for March 1, 1989 to discuss staff's specific proposal to balance the Department's budget. The budget as presented is $16,312,000 (this figure includes $865,000 of augmentations). The current Department revenue estimate for next fiscal year (without any fee increases) is $15,000,000. The best case situation, without any reduction in the General Fund support, would require the Department to raise an additional $162,000; the worse case situation, with a 10% reduction in the General Fund support, would require the Department to raise an additional $2,495,000.

Mr. Prindle explained the Department is reviewing ways to develop revenues that are not necessarily fee and charge related. Staff is in the process of developing revenues, e.g., rental of facilities, to balance the budget.

16. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90 (Continued)

Commissioner Mori was reluctant to raise fees and charges across the boar since this was done last year and the public could not be asked to bear th burden of another fee increase. He urged staff to submit concepts t generate revenue without raising fees so that the Department would not b forced to close facilities in order to balance the budget.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Mori, th following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15286

RESOLVED, That this Commission, approves the baseline budget for th Recreation and Park Department for fiscal year 1989-90.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission authorizes staff to make require technical changes in the budget.

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Mr. Prindle commended Budget Officer, Etai Chen, for her untiring work an efforts in putting together this budget package.

17. CAMP MATHER
CAMPING FEES

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse explained thi item is a request to increase the Camp Mather fees. The fee increase i necessary to cover operating expenses and capital costs at the Camp including cabin renovation and solar panels at the swimming pool area Since the request is for a 10% increase, part of that increase will be use for necessary improvements, such as replacing old mattresses, and paintin the cabins. One of the other major improvements suggested is the buildin of a teen center at Camp Mather.

Commissioner Harris was concerned that a 10% increase in fees could hur attendance and may be too high.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained there is a 15% differential fo resident and non-resident rates. 20% of those who used Camp Mather las year were non-residents and that occupancy last year was 95%.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motio of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the followin resolution was adopted:

17. CAMP MATHER
CAMPING FEES RES. NO. 15287

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following camping and meal fees for the 1989 Camp Mather season:

CABINS

CURRENT			APPROVED	
RESIDENTS 1988			RESIDENTS 1989	
CABIN SIZE	WEEKLY RATE	DAILY RATE	WEEKLY RATE	DAILY RATE
1	$147	$24	$162	$26
2	$210	$35	$231	$39
3	$294	$49	$323	$54
4	$357	$60	$393	$66
5	$420	$70	$462	$77
6	$473	$79	$520	$87
NON-RESIDENTS 1988			NON-RESIDENTS 1989	
CABIN SIZE	WEEKLY RATE	DAILY RATE	WEEKLY RATE	DAILY RATE
1	$168	$26	$185	$29
2	$242	$40	$266	$44
3	$336	$57	$370	$63
4	$410	$69	$451	$76
5	$483	$81	$531	$89
6	$546	$89	$601	$98

MEALS

	CURRENT		APPROVED	
	Weekly	Daily	Weekly	Daily
Per person Meal Rate:				
Adults	$103	$15	$113	$17
Ages 2-12	$ 59	$ 9	$ 65	$10

TRANSIENT MEALS

CURRENT DAILY		APPROVED DAILY
Adult Breakfast/Lunch	$6.00	$7.00
Adult Dinner	$8.00	$9.00
Child Breakfast/Lunch	$4.00	$4.50
Child Dinner	$6.00	$6.50

Note: Transient Meals are for the convenience of visitors or unscheduled guests.

18. GLEN EAGLES GOLF COURSE
SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT RATES

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope-Scanlan, explained when the Controller's Audit Division performed an audit at the Glen Eagles Golf Course at McLaren Park it was found that the operator has instituted a senior discount rate since the the inception of his lease. Staff supported the concept of a senior discount card and asked the Commission to ratify this fee structure.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15288

RESOLVED, That this Commission, ratifies the senior discount card at Glen Eagles Golf Course:

	9 Hole	18 Hole
10 rounds	$40	additional $2 plus punch on discount card

19. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE

Conceptual approval of the proposed assignment of the Golden Gate Park Stables lease to Joanne Kalush and Lewis Kalush.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope-Scanlan explained this proposal is an irregular assignment of the Golden Gate Park lease. The current lessee, Jay Barnes, has proposed to assign the remainder of his lease to Joanne Kalush, the General Manager of the stables, with her father acting as her financial partner. There are significant defaults in the lease, mostly in the areas of building code violations, which the current lessee must cure or see they are cured before the lease is assigned. The assignee has agreed to take on the responsibility to cure the existing faults of the lease on the condition that this Commission grants a new ten year lease term. The issue before the Commission is that staff must satisfy the business terms of both the assignment and the proposed new ten year lease in order to see if the lease meets all the conditions of a lease which might be competitively bid. Is the Commission receptive to such a concept?

Commissioner Guggenhime clarified the point that the Commission is considering granting conceptual approval to negotiate with the proposed assignee for an extension of the remaining term or entering into a new ten year lease.

General Manager Mary Burns explained the Board of Supervisors must approve this concept.

19. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15289

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the proposed assignment of the Golden Gate Park Stables lease to Joanne Kalush and Lewis Kalush.

20. PON AND HOM
CONTROLLER"S AUDIT

Discussion of Controller's Audit relating to Pon and Hom and appropriate action as necessary.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained this item was heard at the last meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee. At that meeting, the Controller's Office, Internal Audits Division representative appeared to explained his findings from the audit conducted on Pon and Hom. Additionally, the Committee convened in Executive Session and directed staff, the City Attorney and the concessionaire to negotiate a settlement for Commission approval.

Gordon Lau, representing Pon and Hom, asked who would be the Departmental contact during the Finance Director's scheduled absence. Additionally, he explained that his client offered a full offer, including payment of the legal rate of interest in the hopes of settling this matter fairly and reasonably.

Mr. Prindle explained that during his absence either Ms. Etai Chen or Lucinda Pope-Scanlan would be Mr. Lau's contact.

4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. The Commission convened in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained the Commission did not feel the proposed settlement was adequate and that the Commission should have approved any proposed assignment of the lease. He stated the Commission's instructions were to have the General Manager, Finance Director, and City Attorney continue negotiations with the concessionaire in an attempt to reach an acceptable settlement.

20A. RECREATION DIVISION
KORET FOUNDATION
TEEN COORDINATOR POSITION

Approval of the request to the Koret Foundation for funding of a Teen Coordinator Position.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item is a request to submit an application to the Koret Foundation to fund a position in the Recreation Division entitled "Teen Coordinator". There is a plan to convert the Hamilton Recreation Center at Geary and Steiner into a full-time teen center to provide activities for teens throughout the City. This position would coordinate the teen activities. He further explained that the Koret Foundation grant request is $25,000 and that Friends of Recreation and Park has set aside an additional $18,000 for this position. Mr. Robinson stated his intent to have the City fund this position in the 1990-91 Departmental budget.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15290

RESOLVED, That this Commission, approves an application to the Koret Foundation in the amount of $25,000 for funding of a Teen Coordinator position for the Recreation Division.

21. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was received.

22. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman reported that the fifteen member Zoo Advisory Committee of the Board of Supervisors had convened and scheduled regular meetings. The Committee meets twice a month and has set up subcommittees.

23. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted to the record:

Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of February 2, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of February 2, 1989
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of February 8, 1989

24. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Mori the meeting was adjourned in memory of Frank Casinelli, father of Recreation Director Frank Casinelli of Mission Recreation Center.

On motion of Commissioner Harris the meeting was adjourned in memory of Joseph Espinosa, a custodian at Sunset Recreation Center who passed away.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Bill Bagdon, a gardener of Neighborhood Parks, who recently passed away.

On motion of Commissioner Harris the meeting was adjourned in memory of Guy Cherney.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Lieutenant John Abney, of the Sheriff's Department who recently passed away.

On motion of President Eickman the meeting was adjourned in memory of Janet Weinstein, mother of Judge Danny Weinstein.

There being no further business, the 632nd Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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SPECIAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 1989 - 6:00 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Wednesday, March 1, 1989, at 6:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (noted present at 6:10 p.m.)
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 6:20 p.m.)
Absent:
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS

Conceptual approval of the revenue proposals and budget reductions for fiscal year 1989-90.

General Manager Mary Burns explained last year the City faced a $177 million deficit and the Recreation and Park Department was asked to reduce its dependency on City's General Fund by 20%. This was done by reducing staff and implementing a revenue package, much of which was based on fee increases. This year the City is facing a $72 Million deficit and the Department has been asked to reduce its use of the City's General Fund by 10%.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Staff is recommending a conceptual package which involves revenue proposals and cost reductions to meet the requested 10% adjustment. The budget before the Commission includes some reductions but emphasizes programs for children and contains a revenue package which will enable the Department to continue to operate its current level of programs. Ms. Burns stated her intent to develop a long term revenue strategy to find ways to operate those services considered essential. She plans to convene strategy sessions with various support groups to get ideas on ways the Department can raise monies and not be totally reliant on fee increases.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained that the proposed budget for fiscal year 1989-90 does not contain any closures of facilities or service reductions. He stated that the Recreation Division must reduce its budget by $150,000 and plans to implement this reduction without (1) service reductions, (2) layoffs, or (3) fee increases. The Sharon Arts Studio and Photography Center will reduce administrative costs and still maintain the current level of services and current fee structures. The main focus has been placed on activities for children and youth.

Mr. Robinson also apologized to a number of senior citizens from Cayuga Playground who were present at the meeting under the impression that their park would be closed. He assured them that Cayuga Playground would not be closed.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle outlined the 1989-90 budget which comprises the baseline budget (current level of services with minor changes such as inflation costs) and the augmentation budget (any proposed increases in the budget). The purpose of this meeting is to adopt the mechanism by which to balance the baseline and augmentation budgets.

On 2/16/89 the Commission adopted a baseline budget of $69,841,000 which represents an 11% increase over the current fiscal year and the augmentation budget which represents a 14% increase. He briefly summarized some of the major staff changes:

- Addition of nine pool lifeguards (a safety related item to have two lifeguards on duty)
- Staff for new 6th & Folsom Park (5 recreation directors, 2 custodians and 1 gardener)
- Latchkey/Extended Hours (currently there are 14 latchkey sites; the Recreation Division is proposing to extend 6 part time Directors to full time status)
- Day Care (proposing that the Department operate a day care center - 3 positions)
- Great Highway (1 gardener supervisor, 2 gardeners, 1 custodian to maintain the Great Highway)
- North Beach, Buchanan Street Mall, exterior Ella Hill Hutch, Various Parks (1 custodian and 3 gardeners)
- Weekend Custodial Coverage (2 additional custodians on weekends)
- Revenue Development (a staff position to develop marketing needs for the Department)
- Assistant Zoo Director (the Zoo currently does not have this position)
- Director Neighborhood Services (plan for an office of Neighborhood Services to implement park bond issue Proposition E, 1988)

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Mr. Prindle outlined some of the other major changes:

- Restructure the aquatic supervisory staff
- Expand the Athletic Day Camp
- Upgrade the Randall Museum Director position
- Upgrade the Finance Director position
- Upgrade the clerical position at the Zoo
- Open the Zoo on Friday nights during the summer
- Closure of the Sharp Park Rifle Range for safety reasons
- Substitute laborers for gardeners when working as chippers
- Substitute a secretarial position for a telephone operator position
- Transfer computer programming functions to the Department
- Golden Gate Park custodial supervision
- Neighborhood Park Reforestation project
- $200,000 for sewer service charge at the Zoo
- Move positions paid out of temporary salaries to permanent salaries
- Reduce Fringe Benefit Calculation
- After School funding next fiscal year (the recently approved legislation places a cap on the percentage of funding set aside for After School Program)
- Department Overhead cost (administrative services provided to special funds, e.g., Candlestick Park Fund)

Mr. Prindle then outlined the proposal to balance the budget (General Fund budget) for fiscal year 1989-90:

FUNDING NEEDED FY 1989-90

Revenue Fund		
Transfer to General Fund		$6,195,000
Capital Budget		560,000
Baseline		7,651,000
Inflation		196,000
Equipment		476,000
General Fund		
Augmentation Budget	$ 865,000	
Lifeguards	186,000	
6th/Folsom	138,000	
Latchkey/extended hours	165,000	
Daycare	83,000	
Day Camp	34,000	
Randall Museum Director upgrade	9,000	
Finance - new position/upgrade	50,000	
Great Highway	126,000	
Zoo -new position/upgrade/overtime	74,000	
Revenue Fund		
Augmentation Budget		
Equipment	290,000	
Other	79,000	
General Fund Reduction (10% maximum)	2,333,000	
TOTAL FUNDING NEEDED		$18,645,000

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

FUNDING AVAILABLE

Current estimated revenue	$15,000,000	
Revenue Fund surplus net of $750,000 contingency and projected inflationary adjustment.	1,150,000	
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDING		$16,150,000
Amount Needed to balance budget (worst case)		$ 2,495,000

Mr. Prindle outlined the proposal to balance the budget which included:

- reduction of one gardener position at each of the following: Palace of Fine Arts, Hall of Justice, Civic Center, Alta Plaza/Lafayette Park and Lake Merced
- reduction of four positions at Sharon Arts Studio and Photography Center (two supervisors, a craft instructor and assistant recreation director).
- reduction of two clerical positions (one in Administration and one in Finance)
- reduction of one vendor position and two cashier positions

The revenue package proposal to balance the budget included:

- Implement Controller's Office audit recommendations to reduce costs at Civic Center and Portsmouth Square Garage
- Increase fees at golf courses on 1/1/90 ($1.00 increase)
- Increase admission fee to Conservatory of Flowers
- Institute an admission fee for the Arboretum
- Increase fees for aerobic classes
- Institute teen dances, rent-a-party
- Charge fair market rate and/or maintenance costs for selective use facilities such as the Model Yacht Club, Lawnbowlers, Anglers Lodge, STBS (ticket outlet at Union Square), Kezar Recycling, Pacific Rod and Gun Club, Croquet Club.
- Market Angler's Lodge and Sharon Arts Studio for rental
- Charge Clean Water Program a rental fee for use of park property and have the Clean Water Program perform maintenance of Great Highway multi-purpose recreational trail
- Offer acoustiguide at the Japanese Tea Garden

Commissioner Guggenhime clarified the point that there would be three layoffs as a result of the worst case budget.

Commissioner Mori stated that although only three employees would be laid off the reduction of gardener positions would result in a lesser level of service at five park facilities.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Public Testimony

Olga O'Callaghan, explained she was under the impression that Cayuga Park was going to be closed but received assurance that this was not an accurate statement. The neighborhood improvement association uses the Cayuga Park clubhouse for its meeting once a month and she was against the departmental proposal to charge a rental fee for use of this building.

Nancy Rose, a Recreation and Park employee, spoke on behalf of the Tiny-Tot program. She was concerned because there is not enough funding for substitute staff when someone is ill or on vacation. In these instances, the tiny tot class is cancelled which affects the continuity of the program. She urged that funding be obtained to provide for both substitute staff and to train instructors.

Shirley Freeman, the Director of Kittredge School at 25th and Lake Streets, was delighted the Department was not contemplating closing playgrounds and particularly Rochambeau Playground. She stated that the neighborhood and students use the playground and find it to be well supervised and a safe area. She presented a petition of 70 signatures in support of Rochambeau Playground and its director, Duane Bozzini.

Dr. Laura Grandin, stated she experienced frustration in trying to have her nine-year old son participate in Recreation and Park programs. She has found that, at times, programs publicized were not offered. She pleaded that the Department should offer the basic level of service and should emphasize supervision of recreation centers. She reiterated her concern that the basic level of service is not offered by the Recreation Division.

Esther Faingold, was pleased that the Sharon Arts Studio program was not going to be affected by the budgetary reduction. She offered ideas such as having supervisory staff located at the administrative offices of McLaren Lodge since the instructors are present at the Sharon Arts Studio. She also asked the Department to consider additional programs and classes at the studio, charging of a modest open studio user fee, one or two day workshop series at the studio. She submitted a petition listing those in favor of keeping the studio.

Kwan Wang, a student at the Sharon Arts Studio who is enrolled in a Chinese Brush Painting Class, explained she attended this meeting because she thought the art classes might be reduced. She discussed the benefits and positive aspects of the Sharon Art Studio and explained how this program enriched her life.

Greg Gaar, was pleased and thankful that the Department was not closing the Photography Center. He stated that the Center is assuming new activities and offering beginner children photography classes and classes for members of the Walden House. Secondly, he expressed his concern about the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council (HANC) Recycling Center and the proposal to charge rent. He stated that he just heard of this rent proposal and noted that HANC is a non-profit association, which returns all of it proceeds to the community in the form of grants. He stated that HANC would be happy to pay for funding of under-utilized Recreation and Park facilities. Mr. Garr was also against an admission fee for the Arboretum.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Dorothy Gerughty, a user of the Sharon Arts Studio spoke about the children's programs offered at the Studio and displayed photos of these types of activities. She asked that the leadership not be removed from the Studio and noted that children's programs have steadily increased. She urged that the leadership be retained and stated that it entails much planning and experience to prepare these children's programs.

Bob Lee, President of Francisco Heights Civic Association and a parent of two children who use Sunset Recreation Center, stated that many of the programs do not meet the needs of children of middle school years. Due to last year's budgetary reductions, one of the athletic programs was administered and run by a parent rather than a Recreation Division employee. He was concerned that there would not be adequate staff at Sunset Playground to meet the athletic programs and wanted assurance that the playground would be properly staffed. He also submitted two letters which urged for a greater staffing level at Sunset Playground.

Mark Kane, representing a group that uses Sunset Recreation Center on Friday nights, echoed the concerns made by the previous speaker regarding adequate staffing. He stated that events other than recreational programs, take place at the Sunset facility and require staffing.

Betty Alberts, a member of the Board of Directors of Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, spoke on behalf of children's programs. She stated that the Commission and Department should tell the Mayor that it will not take the mandated reduction. She spoke of the deterioration of the nation's children and stated that it is incumbent upon Recreation and Park to get funding for children's activities.

Margaret Brodkin, representing Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, stated that recreation centers and playgrounds play major roles for children. She felt the recreation centers should become multi-service centers to serve children's needs. She also explained that her organization submitted a children's budget which calls for ten new full time positions. She stated there is a need to achieve a balance with park and recreation and that the recreation programs needed to be enhanced.

Martha Roditti, Executive Director of the Children's Council of San Francisco, reiterated the points made by Ms. Brodkin. The Recreation and Park Department is in the perfect position to provide children's services. She stated her agency supports childcare programs. She encouraged the Department to find a location where a daycare program can be offered and noted that many of the children present at the meeting benefit from youth programs. Additionally, she participates in the classes at the Sharon Arts Studio and stressed the importance of maintaining the level of service at the studio.

James Cloonan, President of the San Francisco Lawn Bowling Club, explained that his organization generates revenue to the Department by funding sand when the lawn bowling greens are cored and sanded. Additionally, the Club has purchased mowers and lumber for backboards. He stated that 85% of their members are senior citizens on a limited income and inquired as to the fee charge contemplated by the Department for use of the greens.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Ruth S. Kadish, speaking on behalf of the Sharon Arts Studio, praised the Commission and department staff for recognizing the fact that administrative staff can be removed from the Sharon Arts Studio without negatively impacting the quality of programs. She lauded the teaching staff for its outstanding training, technical skills and devotion to providing exemplary services to the students. She noted the many duties undertaken by teachers including registration of students and ordering of supplies. She felt there was a need to have administrative liaison at the Lodge rather than on-site supervision at the Sharon Arts building. She gave a history of the Sharon Arts Building noting that the building was deemed to be the arts program's permanent home. She urged the Commission to develop a policy statement which addresses this concept.

George Rajeff, a member of the Golden Gate Angling and Casting Club, stated that the Angler's Lodge was built in 1937 and is used frequently by his club. He stated he did not receive the agenda in a timely fashion and was not prepared to address the Department's fee proposal. He asked for the opportunity to discuss the proposal to see how his Club could comply with the Department's request.

Debbie Benrubi, representing the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council (HANC), and a co-manager of the recycling center, was present to address the Department's proposal to charge an annual rental fee. She felt the recommendation contained some misconceptions and explained that HANC is a non-profit corporation which donates its profits to community groups. She stated that last year, HANC donated much of its profits to Recreation and Park projects such as reforestation at Buena Vista Park. She felt the figures used in the staff recommendation were incorrect and wanted the opportunity to discuss the dollar figure with staff in the hopes of arriving at a more reasonable figure. She also spoke against the admission fee for the Arboretum.

Kevin S. Tikker, a Photography Center member since 1981, was pleased the Commission was not closing the Center although he had some reservations about the effects of the proposed staff reductions.

Laurie Goldman, the Director of the Strybing Arboretum Society, stated that the Board of Trustees of the Society is interested in charging an admission fee for the Arboretum. She stated that such a proposal is warranted not only because of the vandalism but for maintenance and upkeep of the gardens. She noted that the Arboretum provides both recreational and learning activities for 6,000 school children in the Bay Area and plans to assume a more major role in terms of serving the City's children.

Donna Figone, expressed concern on the concept to rent the Sharon Arts Studio. She explained that Federal funds were used to restore the Sharon Building and felt it would be necessary to have a staff person on duty when the building was rented to ensure that the art projects, some of which take 2 to 3 years to complete, are protected.

Rona Taylor, a fifteen year old, supported the Sharon Arts Studio. She is enrolled in a leaded glass class and noted that art history is a very important component in her life. She felt the programs offered were affordable and good for both adults and young people.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Rose Harden, supported the Sharon Arts Studio and explained it is the only place where her entire family could take a class together.

Eric LeFeat, a fifteen year old, supported the Sharon Arts Studio, takes many classes there and notes that many people want to participate and experience the art program.

Renee Strong, the recreation director at Herz Playground, spoke on behalf of the children at Herz Playground. She wanted recreational programs increased and to be able to provide safe, neutral zones for children. She stated there is a need for a gymnasium at Herz Playground.

Jim Hager, a member of the Photography Center since 1965, explained the Photography Center provided him with a facility to expand his technical skills. He offered suggestions to the Department including better utilization of the space at the Center, offering a computer program, using students from City College horticultural program to assist in maintaining the parks and to charge vehicles who enter Golden Gate Park.

Hood Chatham, representing San Francisco Croquet Club, stated that last year the Club made contributions over $10,000 to the Department in the form of a fence, seating and additional labor to maintain the greens. Every six weeks club members pick up debris and trim grass to produce a pleasant environment at the greens. In 1989 the Club plans to provide seating, valued at $4,000, as a gift to the Department. He noted that the Club has been working to provide services to seniors who do not have an opportunity to get out an enjoy the fresh air.

Joseph Geyer, President of the Golden Gate Angling and Casting Club, explained the Club would like to be able to make a proposal to Commission to provide more maintenance, at no cost to the Department, provided the Club can hire contractors or use Club members. He pointed out that the members offer the public, free of charge, casting lessons. He also wanted assurance that the Club can reserve the Lodge two to three days a week for normally scheduled events, without interfering with the proposed rental activities.

Louis Robinson, the Treasurer of the Golden Gate Angling and Casting Club, stated the Angler's Lodge was built in 1937 and that the Club pays for many items including insurance on the building, door locks, repair of hinges and installation of the hot water system. He urged the Commission to consider these items when making such a fee proposal.

Julie Johnson, a mother of a nine year old, complained that programs offered at the different recreation centers are non-existent. She spoke specifically about Sunset Recreation Center and the fact that last year there was not enough staffing for the facility. She asked the Department to make sure that programs advertised and scheduled, actually are offered.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Muriel Kaplan, a member of the Board of Directors of Artists Equity, stated that Mayor Agnos recently attended an event where he pledged his administration's support for San Francisco's art community. She stated that the suggested rental of the building diverts support of the building as an art center. Artists Equity which represents the rights and interests of local artists asked the Commission to support the Sharon Arts Studio and to lower fees wherever possible, offer scholarships and restore class time which was reduced during last year's budgetary process.

Dominic Sansoni, supported the Sharon Arts Studio, and stated it would be a great loss to the historic heritage of the building if it were used for anything other than a recreational area. Additionally, he stated that the recycling center is beneficial to community.

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Commissioner O'Connor expressed concern about the statements made that scheduled recreational programs are not actually offered. She asked if the Recreation Division could ensure that scheduled programs take place.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained that the programs are budgeted on several assumptions, including a normal rain season. The budget cannot support full staff through a dry season. He stated that he needed more full time people working for the Recreation Division. He also considered stringent supervision of the recreation facilities a priority.

Commissioner Mori stated that although only three positions will actually be laid off because the other deleted positions will be transitioned through vacant slots, but he was concerned that these reductions will adversely affect the Department in its quality and care and level of services.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Department hopes to continue to generate revenue and be able to add back some of the reductions that have taken place. She noted that the reductions in gardening positions will reduce the level of service at the affected parks but that the Beach Chalet lease should generate revenue to the Department in future years. She stated the Department is looking at ways to generate revenues to enable it to address the items that have been deleted or deferred.

President Eickman pointed out that the budget recommendation will increase staffing levels for the Recreation Division by 21 positions.

Commissioner Mori was willing to support the budget but felt a message should be sent that Recreation and Park programs are a sizeable investment and that it will be very difficult for the Department to handle a full 10% reduction.

Ms. Burns stated that she will convey the message that the 10% reduction will severely impact the Department.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1989-90
REVENUE PROPOSALS AND REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that the City only has so many sources of revenues and that ways must be found to increase revenues without charging fees to the public. The Department cannot continue to cut necessary services.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15291

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the revenue proposals and budget reductions for fiscal year 1989-90 for the Recreation and Park Department.

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General Manager Mary Burns pointed out that this has been a difficult budgetary process and praised both Etai Chen and Ernie Prindle for their hard work. Additionally, she acknowledged the contributions from Joel Robinson, Hal Flinn, Nan Neal, Peter Ashe, Barney Barron, Ron deLeon, and Phil Arnold.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Melodi Burke, a parent of one of the children who uses the Latchkey Program, spoke of her need for the Department to offer extended hours for the Latchkey Program. She stated the fees are reasonable and that her daughter enjoys the program.

Debbie Benrubi, from the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council asked procedural questions with regard to the Department's proposal to charge the recycling center a fee for use of Park property.

General Manager Mary Burns explained the specific dollar figure will be reviewed and adopted by the Commission.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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633RD REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-Third Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, March 16, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:15 p.m.)
Absent:
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the minutes of the Regular meeting of February 16, 1989 were approved as presented.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer
Absent: Commissioners Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary Burns, submitted the following report:

"MARINA MANAGER LEAVES DEPARTMENT

Carol Leonard, Marina Manager at the San Francisco Marina for the past 2-1/2 years, has resigned from her position with the Department to accept a higher paying position at Coyote Point. During her tenure as Marina Manager, Carol made great strides in improving the operations of the Marina, established very strong ties with the boating community and was instrumental in helping to develop the Marina Master Plan. We wish her well in her new assignment.

FINAL REPORT BY ELEPHANT PANEL

The final report of the Elephant panel has been received. It concludes that we are not abusing animals, but our training and facilities need to be upgraded and management commitment to an elephant program needs to be established.

IT'S A BOY

A baby gorilla was born at Gorilla World on Saturday, March 11, 7:55 p.m. The mother and baby are doing fine, but will not be on public view for at least the next several weeks while they acclimate to their new surroundings. This is the first gorilla born at the Zoo in 14 years. Congratulations to all!

ZOO 2000

This evening there will be an information session to update the Zoological Society members on the progress of Zoo 2000. The information session will be held at the Academy of Sciences, Morrison Auditorium, 8:00 p.m. The Zoo 2000 plan will be brought to the Commission for approval before any construction takes place.

WATER USAGE

We have been notified by the Water Department that 42 of the Department's 330 meters went well over our monthly allotment by as much as 88%. Measures to correct this situation will be implemented immediately, and I fully expect that the Department will be in compliance with its water allotment for the balance of the year.

COMPLETED CAPITAL PROJECTS

As required by Commission policy I am pleased to report that the following capital projects have been completed:

° The rehabilitation of the children's play area at Glen Park was completed in late February. The project, which consisted of the installation of new playground equipment, retaining walls, irrigation and fencing was funded through the Open Space Program and cost approximately $130,000. Department of Public Works Landscape Architect, Walt Kocian, was project designer.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

° Complete rehabilitation of Biedeman Mini Park has been done and it is now a pleasant garden setting, simple but very elegant, with trees and flagstone paving. Vandalism has been a concern, but in fact, there has been none and the park remains in very good condition. You may wish to drop by to see this little gem. It is located at O'Farrell and Biedeman (one block east of Divisadero). This was also funded by the Open Space Program in the amount $86,000. Department of Public Works Landscape Architect, John Thomas, was project designer.

° After many delays in the delivery and installation of equipment, Grattan Playground, a multi-level play area, has been completed much to the pleasure and appreciation of the users. The cost of this project, funded through the Open Space Program, was $278,000. Shannon Maloney and Jennie O'Conner, Department of Public Works Landscape Architects, were project designers.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BUDGET HEARINGS

Supervisor Walker has requested that the Finance Committee hold "pre-budget" hearings. The purpose of these hearings is to alert the Board of Supervisors early to major issues which can be expected in this year's budget considerations. The Department is scheduled to appear before the Finance Committee on April 19th. Supervisor Walker has encouraged participation by Commissioners in this process, and each department has been requested to submit the following information:

° A brief statement of the Department's mission, what we are doing to accomplish that mission, and how the budget impacts on our service levels.

° A brief report on the Department's priorities for maintaining current levels of service; augmenting or increasing (with rationale for our priorities); and cutting (with expected impacts of 5% and 10% cuts).

Because you have already adopted the budget, I believe that fulfills Supervisor Walker's request regarding Commission involvement. Staff is working on an update of the Department's Mission Statement, and I will be pleased to review that with you once it is completed.

NEW PROGRAM FOR VISION-DISABLED CHILDREN

The Special Needs Division of the Recreation and Park Department in cooperation with the Rose Resnick Center for the Blind and Handicapped has initiated a new once-a-week program. This program is designed to integrate the visually disabled and low-sighted children with the non-disabled society. Children, ages 8 to 14 years, are given the opportunity to learn recreation and social skills along with the activities of everyday living, craft skills, and to become acquainted with community resources. A 45-minute swim session at North Beach Pool is also another activity of the program. A whole section of the pool has been provided for the group's swim. This innovative and most worthwhile program meets on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m at Moscone Recreation Center.

Recreation Director, Rod Corbett, is to be commended for the development and implementation of this exciting program. A recent field trip to John Muir Center in Martinez brought many compliments from the participants.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

SAN FRANCISCO MARATHON

As you will recall, the original finish for the San Francisco Marathon was announced to be at the Conservatory of Flowers. That had never been discussed with the Department and could have had a serious impact on the area in front of the Conservatory. Through concerted negotiations and efforts of Peter Ashe, Assistant Superintendent of Recreation, a restructured course for the San Francisco Marathon has been finalized with the Bay Area Sports Organizing Committee (BASOC). The course will take runners through Kennedy Drive prior to 10:00 a.m. and then on to Sunset Boulevard and Lake Merced. The third and final phase of the marathon will utilize portions of Middle Drive and Overlook Drive with the race culminating in the Polo Fields. A brief awards ceremony will be held at this location.

COMPUTERS INSTALLED AT MILTON MEYER COMMUNITY CENTER

Six computers donated by the Apple Computer Company have been installed at Milton Meyer Community Day School. In order to avoid theft and vandalism, the Department has put up security gates on all doors into the classroom, and has installed an alarm system. The school itself seems to be succeeding in keeping almost 25 potential dropouts in class.

MAYOR'S DRUG TASK FORCE

The final report of the Mayor's Drug Task Force was given to you. The Recreation Division is mentioned several times in the report as one of the primary resources available to the City in its attempt to combat this very serious issue. The Department has committed existing After School Program resources for the targeted areas at Plaza East, Alice Griffith Housing Project and Ocean View Playground. Several recommendations in the report relating to recreation issues remain a question mark at this time. Funding sources for projects such as the Video Van have not been found and will take considerable time to investigate. Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, and Assistant Superintendent of Recreation, Nan Neal, participated in the development of this report and are very pleased with the recommendations.

GIANT CHIPPER NOW IN OPERATION

The Recreation and Park Department has contracted with Falcon Energy Associates of Stockton, CA to chip logs and stumps that have been accumulating in the area just north of the Buffalo Paddock. The project has been in operation for two days, and will be recycling 15 hundred tons of what was a debris problem into useable, recyclable wood chips for use throughout the park system. While noisier than the small chippers used on a day-to-day basis, this piece of equipment is hardly detectable outside of the park and it has not affected the near-by bison. The California Energy Commission's "Refuse to Energy Project" was responsible for identifying the methodology for solving a long-standing problem for the Department.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

STRYBING ARBORETUM SOCIETY FIRST ANNUAL URBAN LANDSCAPE AWARDS DINNER

On Monday, April 3, 7:30 p.m., at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, the Strybing Arboretum Society will be holding its First Annual Urban Landscape Awards Dinner. The award is given for excellence in urban landscape design and this year is honoring the Roof Garden at One Montgomery and the Lobby Garden at 101 California. The event benefits Strybing Arboretum Society and its programs. You will be receiving your invitations shortly.

"GOODBYE OLD KEZAR"

The Friends of Recreation and Parks and this Department are co-sponsoring a "Goodbye Old Kezar" event on Thursday, April 6, from 7:00 - 11:00 p.m. in Kezar Stadium. Former 49ers, college and high school alumni will gather to bid farewell at the party. The evening will include clowns, marching bands, cheerleaders, music, food, dancing and a memorabilia sale. Wayne Walker will be the master of ceremonies. Admission is $30.

On Saturday, April 8 the Friends and the Department are also planning a "Family Field Day" at Kezar. This event will also feature school and 49er alumni as well as games and events for children of all ages. "Family Field Day" will be from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in Kezar Stadium. Admission is $2.00 for adults, and 50¢ for children 6-12.

All proceeds will benefit the Kezar area of Golden Gate Park.

GENERAL MANAGER TO BE OUT-OF-STATE MARCH 19 - MARCH 29, 1989

I will be attending the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums (AAZPA) Western Regional Conference in Vancouver, British Columbia, and then will go on to New York -- both on zoo-related business. During my absence, Ernie Prindle will be Acting General Manager.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TRACK AND FIELD MEET

One of the many programs that the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department sponsors is the San Francisco Special Olympics. The kick off for the annual Track and Field meet will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Cox Stadium, San Francisco State University. Bobby McFerrin has committed to participate in this event as well as a number of sports personalities. You are cordially invited to attend. The actual sports event will take place on Saturday, April 15, beginning at 9:00 a.m. If you are able to attend I know the organization would be pleased to have you present awards to some of the winning athletes. This year's event promises to be the biggest ever. In the last 3 years the number of participating athletes has gone from 600 to 1,500. The Recreation and Park Department was instrumental in founding the local chapter and has always maintained a seat on their Board of Directors.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

RETIREMENTS

Chester Nelson	7514 General Laborer	30 years

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, March 17, 1989	St. Patrick's Day Luncheon, 12 noon, Stern Grove
Tuesday, March 21, 1989	Cherry Blossom Preview, 12 noon, Japanese Tea Garden (free)
Monday, April 3, 1989	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, April 6, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, April 6, 1989	Finance and Administration, Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Tuesday, April 11, 1989	Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, 3:00 p.m., (location to be announced)
Wednesday, April 12, 1989	Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory, Committee, 3:00 p.m, McLaren Lodge
Thursday, April 13, 1989	Luncheon for Maureen Costello, 12 noon, County Fair Building"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15292

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period February 3, 1989 through March 2, 1989.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15293

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Peck, Yovanna	$163.00
Smith, Joyce O.	40.00
Woodard, Arch	277.85
Gapp, Mary	50.00

c. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS OVER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15294

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the following litigated & unlitigated claims over $500:

Unlitigated Claims:
° Miklen Rykunyk in the amount of $644.03
° Carmencita Lewis in the amount of $828.57
Litigated Claim
° Edward Coffey in the amount of $1,250.00

RESOLVED, That This Commission ratifies the following transactions authorized by Department staff under Recreation and Park Department Resolution No. 13572 providing for the continuous and uninterrupted operation of the Department:

d. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS FIELDS MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT — RES. NO. 15295

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1989 Giants Field Maintenance Agreement.

e. CAMP MATHER SADDLE HORSE AGREEMENT APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT — RES. NO. 15296

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1989 Camp Mather Saddle Horse Concession Agreement.

f. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS SECURITY SERVICE (PROPOSITION "J" ANALYSIS) — RES. NO. 15297

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Charter Section 8.300-1 (Proposition J) security service at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens for 1989-90.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

g. WING LEE LAUNDRY LEASE — RES. NO. 15298
APPROVAL OF LEASE

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the Wing Lee Laundry Lease.

h. MARINA CRAFT HARBOR — RES. NO. 15299
REPAIR STORM DAMAGE
AWARD OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the award of construction contract to Western Dock Enterprises in the amount of $123,012, to repair berths from the storm damage at the Marina Craft Harbor.

i. MARINA CRAFT HARBOR — RES. NO. 15300
REPAIR STORM DAMAGE
AWARD OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the award of consultant contract to Moffatt & Nichol, Engineers, in the amount of $16,000, to repair berths from the storm damage at the Marina Craft Harbor.

j. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS — RES. NO. 15301
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the submittal of a supplemental appropriation to the Board of Supervisors for one (1) 1450 Executive Secretary I for the administrative offices at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

k. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15302
NAMING OF SERVICE ROAD
IN MEMORY OF OFFICER JAMES W. BLOESCH

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to name the service road leading to the Police Stables in memory of Officer James W. Bloesch.

l. GLEN PARK — RES. NO. 15303
PICKLE FAMILY CIRCUS
THREE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of Pickle Family Circus to use Glen Park for a three day event on May 27, 28, and 29, 1989.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

m. SAN FRANCISCO MIME TROUPE — RES. NO. 15304
USE OF GOLDEN GATE PARK AND MISSION DOLORES PARK

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the San Francisco Mime Troupe to use the following park facilities on the dates listed below:

July 8, 1989 - Mission Dolores Park
July 9, 1989 - Mission Dolores Park
September 2, 1989 - Golden Gate Park - Sunken Meadow
September 3, 1989 - Golden Gate Park - Sunken Meadow
September 4, 1989 - Golden Gate Park - Sunken Meadow

n. CANDLESTICK PARK — RES. NO. 15305
VIDEO FANTASY AND BASEBALL BOOTHS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the construction of a Video Fantasy Booth and Baseball Card Booth at Candlestick Park.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
OCEANSIDE PLANT
100% PLANS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Adoption of resolution approving 100% plans and incorporating conditions of approval for the Oceanside Plant at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that this matter was reviewed by the Joint Zoo Committee and consists of a Resolution which adopts findings that the 100% plans are consistent with earlier Resolutions, conditions of approval and adopted mitigation measures that have been previously adopted for the Oceanside Plant to be located on Zoo property. This Resolution concludes with the fact that monitoring and reporting procedures have been established for the Oceanside plant project, will be enforced throughout the project and into the first year of operation, and gives the Commission the right to revoke the permit if the Clean Water Program does not adhere to these conditions. She highlighted the joint use measures which were developed by the Joint Use Task Force including issues relating to environmental monitoring, land use, air quality, odor control, noise, transportation issues, vegetation and wildlife, geology and hydrology and hazards and energy.

In response to President Eickman's request, Mr. Learner explained that the role of the Joint Use Task Force (a requirement of the Environmental Impact Report) was to participate in the development of the plant design and criteria for joint use. The primary participants included the Recreation and Park Department, San Francisco Zoological Society, California National Guard, Recreation Center for the Handicapped, the Citizens Advisory Committee on Waste Water, and Lakeshore Acres Homeowners Association.

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
OCEANSIDE PLANT
100% PLANS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL (Continued)

Margaret Burks, Executive Director of the San Francisco Zoological Society explained that everything has been done to protect the Zoo. Most recently, the Clean Water Program agreed to delay construction of the berm project because of the recent birth of the baby gorilla. An item of concern was the monitoring of the existing water capacity and a start date of when that will occur. She noted that water supply and pressure is of concern to the Zoo. She also inquired that should there be severe water rationing, the dust control methods should be either guaranteed or have contingencies in place to address this mitigation measure.

Donald Munakata, representing the Clean Water Program, explained that as soon as the water meters can be procured the monitoring of the water capacity will begin.

Sandra Keller, representing Citizens for a Better Zoo, urged the Commission not to approve this item. She stated there is limited data and many unresolved issues on the impact of this plant on the animals at the Zoo. She noted that the Environmental Impact Report states that the Clean Water Program may consider compensation if it can be proven that the damage is directly related to the plant but that there is no assurance in this statement. She felt there were better suited locations for this plant.

Richard Travis, mirrored Ms. Keller's sentiments. He raised concerns that the plant would not withstand a large scale earthquake and stated that the plant is closely sited to a ground failure area. Additionally, Lake Merced is near the plant site and is the largest supply of emergency fresh water in the City. In the event of a large earthquake, there is a chance that the Lake Merced water could be contaminated. He urged the Commission not to place the plant at the Zoo.

President Eickman clarified the point that the electorate voted in 1975 to build a sewage treatment plant on park land, south of the Zoo and that the Recreation and Park Commission only has the authority to protect the Zoo as much as possible.

Commissioner Ruiz asked for clarification on the point raised that if liability is found the the Clean Water Program may reimburse the City.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that this language was incorporated into the Environmental Impact Report, prepared by the Department of City Planning, and is the strongest possible language.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15306

WHEREAS, The voters of San Francisco on November 4, 1975 amended the Charter of San Francisco by adding section 7.403(d) which authorizes the Recreation and Park Commission to approve use of park land south of the Zoo for both Zoo expansion and sewage treatment facilities construction and operation; and

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
OCEANSIDE PLANT
100% PLANS AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL (Continued)

RES. NO. 15306
(Continued)

WHEREAS, The Joint Use Task Force consisting of representatives from the San Francisco Recreation and Park Department, the San Francisco Zoological Society, the California National Guard, the Recreation Center for the Handicapped, the Citizens Advisory Committee on Wastewater, the Lakeshore Acres Homeowners Association and other interested residents in the area of the proposed facility, was convened to review the initial project plans and advise the Clean Water Program on the preparation of facility plans and to provide comments to the City Planning Department and the Recreation and Park Commission on the development of an Environmental Impact Report, Conditions of Approval and final design; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission by Resolution No. 15100 adopted and incorporated the Final Environmental Impact Report (85.484E) and its findings for the Westside Water Pollution Control Facilities Project and found and determined that construction of the Westside Water Pollution Control Facilities Project will have a significant effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission has adopted Resolution 15099 approving the facility plan of the Department of Public Works and Clean Water Program for the construction of westside water pollution control facilities with conditions of approval; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission by Resolution No. 15099 approved the 50% plans and specifications for the construction of the Oceanside Water Pollution Control Plant submitted by the San Francisco Department of public Works; and

WHEREAS, Plans and specifications representing the completed design of the Oceanside Water Pollution Control Plant have been submitted to the Recreation and Park Commission for its review and approval; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Recreation and Park Commission has reviewed the 100% plans and specifications for the construction of the Oceanside Water Pollution Control Plant and hereby approves the 100% plans and finds that the plans and specifications are consistent with its approval of the project facility plan and environmental documents contained in Resolutions No. 15099 and No. 15100, and adopted mitigations and conditions of approval contained in Resolutions No. 15099 and No. 15100 and as described herein in Attachment A entitled, "Approved Mitigations, Conditions of Approval and Accepted Joint Use Measures"; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the monitoring and reporting procedure established for this project, which already includes an independent Environmental Compliance Monitor (ECM) and the continuation of the Joint Use Task Force, shall continue to provide regular status reports to this Commission regarding compliance with the mitigation conditions, and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, That the Recreation and Park Commission reserves the right to revoke the permit for use of park land if conditions designed and previously agreed to by the Clean Water Program to protect the animal collection, Zoo personnel, resources critical to operation of the Zoo and the amenities essential to a quality Zoo visitor experience are violated by the Clean Water Program or contractors. (See Attachment "A")

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
AVIAN CONSERVATION CENTER
APPROVAL OF SITE

Conceptual approval of site and approval to negotiate with the Public Utilities Commission to locate the Avian Conservation Center on San Francisco watershed property.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that a site has been identified on Water Department property which would be suitable for an Avian Conservation Center. The San Francisco Zoological Society is interested in locating the Center on watershed property. Once a mutually acceptable agreement has been developed and an environmental evaluation completed, the Commission could give the project final approval.

Margaret Burks, representing the San Francisco Zoological Society, explained the site, near the Upper Crystal Springs Reservoir area, is not visible from the road. She explained the activities of the Clean Water Program have reduced the amount of available expansion site at the Zoo and that Clean Water Program's assistance in finding another suitable site is one of the mitigation measures.

John Aikin, Director of the Avian Conservation Center, explained that the site is a seven acre parcel land which will protect the birds from disturbances and visitors. He stated there is a need to have a location for the captive breeding program.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15307

RESOLVED, That this Commission, conceptually approves the proposed site for the Avian Conservation Center near the Upper Crystal Springs Reservoir area, and grants approval to negotiate with the Public Utilities Commission to locate the Avian Conservation Center on San Francisco watershed property.

7. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ACQUISITION, LOAN AND DISPOSITION POLICY
AMENDMENT

Approval of an amendment to the Acquisition, Loan and Disposition Policy.

Interim Zoo Director Phil Arnold explained the current Acquisition, Loan and Disposition Policy indicates that the hide of a dead animal may be given to an individual provided the hide is never sold. Mr. Arnold was concerned with this section since he could not guarantee that the hide would never be sold at some future time. Additionally, he was not receptive to the concept of having the remains of dead animals given to someone for sentimental reasons. He stated that he was quite comfortable if the animal remains were used for exhibit, education or research. The proposed amendment would state: "The acquisition of animal remains for personal use is not permitted."

Sandra Keller, representing Citizens for a Better Zoo, explained that some of the animal keepers wanted to know if this amendment is restrictive to hides. She stated that some of the keepers develop a sentimental attachment to the animal and would like to have a memento of the animal after death.

7. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ACQUISITION, LOAN AND DISPOSITION POLICY
AMENDMENT (Continued)

Mr. Arnold explained that it would apply to any animal remains. He further explained that he notified the animal keepers of this proposed change and some keepers voiced the sentiments stated by Ms. Keller.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15308

RESOLVED, That this Commission, approves an amendment to the Acquisition, Loan and Disposition Policy which deletes the third paragraph under DISPOSITION: Dead Specimens, and adds the following sentence: "The acquisition of animal remains for personal use is not permitted."

8. UNION SQUARE
SAKS FIFTH AVENUE PROJECT
ADOPTION OF FINDING

Adoption of finding that the shadow impact of the proposed Saks Fifth Avenue project would be insignificant and falls within the adopted guidelines which permit .1% additional shading of Union Square.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15309

RESOLVED, That this Commission, adopts the finding that the shadow impact of the proposed Saks Fifth Avenue project would be insignificant and falls within the adopted guidelines which permit .1% additional shading of Union Square.

9. PORTSMOUTH SQUARE GARAGE AGREEMENT
IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of recommendations of the Controller's Audit on Portsmouth Square Garage and implementation of a 60-day trial period for special $6.00 overnight parking rate.

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse, explained that an audit was conducted of the Portsmouth Square Garage. The audit suggested that several cost cutting measures should be implemented such as improved bookkeeping methods, purchase of telephone equipment and installation of energy conservation equipment. The most controversial suggestion of the audit was that the garage should be closed between the hours of midnight and 7:00 a.m. The suggested closure was due to the fact that the Department was losing money during those hours. Many community groups were opposed to this closure and developed an alternative proposal of an overnight rate of $6.00 for any vehicle which enters or exits the garage between the hours of 8:00 p.m or 8:00 a.m., Sunday through Thursday. This would ease the problem of parking for residents and also assist merchants. The overnight rate proposal is requested for a two month trial period to ascertain if the garage can generate sufficient revenue to compensate for the savings if the garage were closed at night.

9. PORTSMOUTH SQUARE GARAGE AGREEMENT
IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTROLLER'S AUDIT (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime asked if the audit recommendations impacted the lessee. Ms. Stonehouse stated these measures did not adversely impact the lease.

Paul Newman, representing the Portsmouth Plaza Parking Corporation, supported this proposal and noted that a study was conducted to see if the Garage could accommodate the overnight program. The study favored this proposal.

Commissioner McAteer was concerned that the trial period may be too short.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that he planned to report its findings to the Finance and Administration Committee which could extend the trial period if necessary.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15310

RESOLVED, That this Commission, approves the recommendations of the Controller's Audit on Portsmouth Square Garage and implementation of a 60-day trial period for a special $6.00 overnight parking rate.

10. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS PARKING LOT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Approval of interim agreement for management of Candlestick Park parking lot by the San Francisco Giants.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that the 49ers assumed the parking concession for the Candlestick Park parking lot beginning October 1988 and presently there is no parking concession for the lot during baseball season. The Giants plan to drastically alter the scope of operations of the lot and provide greater service. Mr. Prindle stated that he had not had time to negotiate the terms and conditions of this concession with the Giants and suggested that staff work with the Giants between now and the next Finance and Administration Committee on ways to ensure that costs can be controlled. The agreement before the Commission is structured like the agreement that was presented to the Finance and Administration Committee, however the financial terms have been changed so that the Giants will now receive 5% of the net revenue. Additionally, he noted that this restructured agreement may not generate as much revenue to the Department but that parking lot operation needed improvement.

Mr. Prindle highlighted some of the Giants' proposed operational changes which included additional cashiers, directional parking directors, supervisors and signage. Also, the Giants are proposing to keep the lot in cleaner condition and to make the entire baseball experience pleasant for its fans.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that service in the lot has been poor and a better operation of the lot would be to everyone's advantage.

10. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS PARKING LOT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT (Continued)

Commissioner Ruiz asked if any community outreach efforts have been used by the Giants regarding the significant employment opportunities. He thought it might be advantageous for the Giants to notify the neighborhood of this opportunity.

Marcia Smolens, representing the Giants, explained that most of the employment opportunities in the lot are union although there are some positions open.

Jorge Costa, Vice President of Stadium Operations/Security for the Giants, explained that the additional positions should expedite the traffic flow and thus alleviate some of the adverse traffic congestion impacts on the community.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15311

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the interim agreement for management of Candlestick Park parking lot by the San Francisco Giants and that the Finance Director will present a budget for the next meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Giants will maximize community outreach of the surrounding neighborhood regarding potential employment opportunities in connection with operation of the parking lot.

11. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
FOOD & BEVERAGE PRICES

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse explained this item is a request by the Giants, on behalf of Harry M. Stevens, to increase food and beverage prices ranging from $.10 to $.50 for seven of the food and beverage items offered during baseball. She reminded the Commission that the Department does not receive any revenue from food and beverage sales during baseball season. Staff has reviewed the price increases and feel they are fair, particularly since some of the items have not been increased in many years. The prices are comparable with other stadiums, not out of line, and in some cases, offer an increased size of product. The concessionaire will now char-broil the hamburger items.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

11. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
FOOD & BEVERAGE PRICES (Continued)

RES. NO. 15312

RESOLVED, That this Commission, approves the increase of the food and beverage prices for the 1989 baseball season as follows:

	Current Price-1988	Approved Price-1989
Hot Dog (8 to lb.)	$1.25	$1.50
Hamburger (3 to lb.)	$2.50	$2.75
Cheeseburger (3 to lb.)	$2.75	$3.00
Imported Beer 12 oz.	$2.50	$3.00 (14 oz)
Domestic Beer 14 oz.	$2.25	$2.35
Peanuts 2 oz.	$0.75	$1.00 (2 1/2oz)
Frozen Chocolate Malt (12 oz.)	$1.25	$1.40
Introduction of:		
Specialty Sausages (4 to lb.)		$3.00

3:45 p.m. to 3:55 p.m. Commissioner Ruiz was absent from the meeting.

12. LAKE MERCED
URBAN PARKS CONCESSIONAIRES
EXPENDITURE FROM SPECIAL FUND AND RENT CREDIT

Approval to expend $8,041.23 from the special fund and a rent credit not to exceed $1,000 for dredging work at Lake Merced to be performed by Urban Parks Concessionaire.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained this item pertains to the Urban Parks Concessionaire, the boating and fishing concessionaire at Lake Merced and the fishery. There are many large scale problems facing Urban Parks including the water level, which is at its lowest in fifteen years, poor water quality and bird predation. Staff is working with many interested agencies on long range plans for water quality. Fish is stocked at Lake Merced by the State Fish and Game Department and Urban Parks. Unfortunately, Urban Parks has not generated enough money in permit revenue to sufficiently stock the lake. The cormorant birds, leave for a 6-12 week period beginning in April The recommendation of the Fish and Game Department is to stock Lake Merced with 1-1/2 to 2 pound trout during this period by using five or six separate fish plants. These fish are too large for the birds to swallow and will give the fishery a boost. Staff feels it is appropriate to assist the concessionaire, Urban Parks, so they can continue to provide the recreational opportunity at Lake Merced.

The Finance and Administration Committee requested that a portion of the $8,041 Special Fund be used for a recreational programs since this was the intent of the fund. The Recreation Division has developed a fishing program for its after school and day camp programs. Urban Parks will set aside 10 boats and purchase $1,000 worth of fishing poles for this program.

12. LAKE MERCED
URBAN PARKS CONCESSIONAIRES
EXPENDITURE FROM SPECIAL FUND AND RENT CREDIT (Continued)

President Eickman clarified the financial arrangements: a $5,000 rent credit; $3,000 allocation from the Special Fund with the balance of the Special Fund to be used for the development of a fishing program for the after school and day camp program.

Ms. Pope Scanlan then explained that because the water level is 10 feet lower than its normal state, the dock and stairs leading down to the water, are fairly unstable. Staff will bring forth a proposal to a future meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee to address this issue. She further stated that the South Lake water levels are very around the area of the boat hoists and where fish plants are made. The proposal is to have Urban Parks dig out around the boat hoist area, provided it receives approval from the proper planning and regulatory agencies and Army Corps of Engineers, in exchange for a rent credit not to exceed $1,000.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15313

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a rent credit in the amount of $5,000 and a $3,000 allocation from the Special Fund to plant fish; the balance of the Special Fund ($5041.23) will be used for the development of a children's recreation program at Lake Merced.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission approves removal of accumulated silt beneath the boat hoist at Lake Merced to be performed by Urban Parks Concessionaire for a rent credit not to exceed $1,000.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer
Absent: Commissioners Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz

3:55 p.m. Commissioner Ruiz returned to the meeting.

13. DAY CAMPS
LATE PENALTY

Approval to institute a $5.00 late fee for each 15 minutes a person is late in picking up a child after the day camp pick-up deadline.

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse explained this item is a request to institute a $5.00 late penalty for the Department's day camp. The reason for this request is because at times, parents abuse the situation, and are quite tardy in picking up their children, sometimes as late as 7:00 p.m. Staff does not feel that this fee will have to be implemented often; it is requested more as a deterrent.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

13. DAY CAMPS
LATE PENALTY (Continued)

RES. NO. 15314

RESOLVED, That this Commission institutes a $5.00 late fee for each 15 minutes a person is late in picking up a child after the day camp pick-up deadline.

14. DAY CAMPS
FEE INCREASE

Approval to increase the fee from $25 to $30 per child for a week session at Pine Lake and Silver Tree Summer Day Camps.

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse explained this item is a request to increase weekly rate for the day camp by $5.00 for Pine Lake and Silver Tree day camps. Staff no longer provides free lunches for day camps but would like to use the $5.00 increase so that it can offer snacks for the children and possibly rent movies if there are excess funds.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15315

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase of the fee from $25 to $30 per child for a week session at Pine Lake and Silver Tree Summer Day Camps.

15. SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY FAIR FLOWER SHOW
APPROVAL OF 1989 AGREEMENT

Approval of San Francisco County Fair & Flower Show 1989 Agreement.

Arboretum Director Wald Valen explained this item is a one year agreement with San Francisco Flower Show, Inc. The long term intent is to make the show larger. There are some technical changes in the contract to expedite the flow of money and create more accountability. He recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15316

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the San Francisco County Fair & Flower Show 1989 Agreement.

16. SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY FAIR FLOWER SHOW
APPROVAL OF 1989 BUDGET

Approval of County Fair & Flower Show 1989 Budget.

Arboretum Director Wald Valen explained the General Manager is proposing a one year agreement for the County Fair & Flower Show. Many of the budget increases have been made to the agreement in the hopes of increasing attendance. He recommended approval of the 1989 budget.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15317

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the San Francisco County Fair & Flower Show 1989 budget

4:05 p.m. to 5:05 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session.

17. PON & HOM AGREEMENT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of agreement with Pon and Hom, pursuant to Controller's Audit. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(b)(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

The Commission convened in Executive Session and took no formal action.

17A. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE
POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Consideration of claim of Paul Kaplan/Gas House Cove with regard to the incident of February 10/11, 1989 at the Marina Yacht Harbor. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session to discuss this matter with the City Attorney pursuant to Section 54956.9(b)(c) of the California Government Code.)

Finance Director Ernie Prindle stated that Mr. Kaplan's main objective was to make the Commission aware that he is out of business and that there is a major problem.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that the parties should get together expeditiously to try to work out a resolution to this problem.

Paul Kaplan, representing Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., amplified the statements made by Mr. Prindle. He stated the incident occurred on February 10, 1989, and he is out of business. He is the only fuel vendor in the central part of San Francisco Bay. Salmon season is here and his business is suffering financially and many boat owners have been inconvenienced. He stated he cannot afford to wait for bureaucratic wheels to work and wanted the Commission to be aware of the dire, significant consequences of this issue.

17A. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE
POTENTIAL LITIGATION (Continued)

Mr. Prindle explained that he needed advice from the City Attorney's Office before proceeding with this matter.

Chris Kaplan, representing Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., offered photographs of the incident and a model for the Commission for its perusal.

The Commission convened in Executive Session and took no formal action.

18. LAKE MERCED BOATHOUSE
MIRAGE, INC. AGREEMENT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of agreement with Mirage, Inc., pursuant to the Controller's Audit. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(b)(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

The Commission convened in Executive Session. An agreement was reached which will be calendared for approval at a future Commission meeting.

18A. MOUNT DAVIDSON
APPLICATION TO LIGHT THE CROSS

Consideration of application for lighting of Mount Davidson cross in conjunction with annual Easter sunrise service. (The Commission may convene in Executive Session to discuss this matter with the City Attorney pursuant to Section 54956.9(b)(c) of the California Government Code.)

The Commission convened in Executive Session.

General Manager Mary Burns explained she received a request from the San Francisco Council of Churches to light the Mount Davidson cross on March 25 and 26, and specifically for the night before Easter. In addition, the San Francisco Council of Churches has requested a permit for its annual Easter sunrise service. Ms. Burns scheduled this matter for consideration because of the number of letters and phone calls received on this issue and the fact that it raises questions on the Establishment Clause of the United States and California Constitutions. Since Mount Davidson is set aside for public assembly, Ms. Burns stated it was her intent to issue a permit for the service. It was her recommendation to light the Mount Davidson cross for two hours prior to sunrise on Sunday, March 26, 1989, as a safety measure to guide participants to the top of Mount Davidson.

Glen Gullmes, representing the San Francisco Council of Churches, explained that his organization planned to continue with the Easter sunrise service in spite of his organization's financial situation. He stated his feeling that Easter is one of the most high holy days of Christian religion that the cross should be lit on Easter and during Holy Week. He noted there are people willing to pay for the cross lighting and that the cross represents the historical tradition of freedom of religion. He commented that the argument pertaining to separation of church and state rests on the fact of whether or not the cross necessarily indicates the establishment of a state religion. It was his opinion that this was a far-fetched argument. He felt there was nobody present at the meeting to judge the constitutional matters being raised on this issue.

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Philip Mass, representing the Robert G. Ingersoll Memorial, stated that the cross is a permanent fixture and that there are other ways to light the pathways than what had been suggested. Mr. Mass was concerned about the erosion of the concept of separation of church and state and felt it was the real issue before the Commission. He stated that this principle has been one of the most successful provisions of the Constitution. The lighting of the cross adds insult to injury because the cross should never have been placed on public property. He explained there used to be religious singing in schools and that as a non-believer he had the same rights as anybody else. He firmly endorsed a separation of church and state and pointed out that nobody is suggesting the diminishing of religious freedom.

Rabbi Joel Brooks, representing the American Jewish Congress, a 75 year old national human rights agency with 1500 members in this community, was opposed to the lighting of the Mount Davidson cross, even if for several hours. He stated his organization is involved in advocating the separation of church and state and and was opposed to the placement of religious symbolic displays of all kinds on public property. He asked the Commission to recognize that illuminating the Mount Davidson cross which stands on City property would be inconsistent with the constitutional principle that government may not appear to endorse or show preference for any religion. He stated his organization intended no disrespect to the Christian faith or any other faith in opposing the lighting of the Mount Davidson cross and was mindful of the fact that lighting the cross is a long standing San Francisco tradition. He urged the Commission not to ignore the constitutional consequences of its actions and asked it to acknowledge the importance of this constitutional principle and declare its commitment to find a long term solution. He noted that the City Attorney has indicated that a resolution might include the transfer of the Mount Davidson cross site from public to private hands and that such a commitment would avoid a legal issue on this matter.

Jack Massen, representing the American Atheists, stated that the United States is not a christian nation. He explained that President Eisenhower enlisted religion into democracy to denegrate communism and atheism. He stated that society is becoming increasingly a non-Christian community and that the Mount Davidson cross is offensive to a substantial part of the public including Judaism, Islam and to non-religious philosophies.

Margaret Crosby, representing the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), stated that the ACLU had no objection to the sunrise service permit but objected to the lighting of the cross. ACLU strongly opposes the placement of religious symbols on public land because it communicates the message of endorsement from the government for certain religious groups. She stated it violates the Establishment Clause of the Federal Constitution and several provisions of the California Constitution. She cited Article 1, Section 4, which contains a parallel Establishment Clause, and also has a prohibition against government showing any preference for any religious belief. Article 16, Section 5, contains a prohibition against any government aid, symbolic or financial, for religion. She did not believe it was necessary to illuminate the cross as a safety measure and stated that lighting the cross and not the path is a religious act. She noted that placement of the cross every single day is a constitutional violation and that the Commission needs to divest itself of the parkland underneath the cross.

18A. MOUNT DAVIDSON
APPLICATION TO LIGHT THE CROSS (Continued)

Margaret Crosby's statement (Continued)

San Francisco parks are for all the people and religious symbols on park land communicates a message of approval for some and disapproval for others.

Edith Fried, representing the San Francisco Chapter of the Sierra Club, inquired as to who would pay the expense of lighting the cross and clearing the pathway up to the cross. She further stated that the Sierra Club felt that whatever money is spent on this event would be better spent on more permanent improvements to parks and open space.

General Manager Mary Burns explained the permit fee will include the electrical service cost, which is speculated to be in the $10-20 range. The clearing of the path is done on a periodic basis by the Department.

James Dahlgren, voiced his opposition to the lighting of the cross. Additionally, he explained that he is a professional artist in San Francisco and found the cross to be ugly from an aesthetic viewpoint and to light it even more unpleasing. He stated he is tired of looking at the cross.

John Meehan, Executive Director of the Haight Ashbury Food Program, the largest soup kitchen in the Haight Ashbury District, spoke on affirmation of the human spirit and the continuation of tradition. His organization consists of several Christian and Catholic churches, Temple Emanu-El, atheists and humanists. He recounted some of the San Francisco soup kitchens including St. Anthony's and Glide Memorial Methodist. He asked how far should one go to remove religious symbols from the City and submitted the City's name, San Francisco as an example. He stated his program works with many organizations to affirm the human spirit of working together.

Albert C. Walker, representing the San Francisco Chapter of the Americans United For Separation of Church and State, was opposed to lighting the Mount Davidson cross. He stated his organization is a national, non profit membership organization dedicated to protecting religious liberty. He stated the problem with the Mount Davidson cross is that it is a religious symbol on government property and when the government maintains a symbol of a particular religion on property owned by all of the taxpayers it is telling the community that it officially endorses that particular religion. Illuminating the cross in connection with a religious holiday of a particular faith emphasizes governmental endorsement, be it for one week or two hours. When the cross is lighted, the government becomes a participant in a religious expression which is wrong. With regard to the staff recommendation that the cross be lighted as a public safety measure, he felt it would be better if the lights were turned and focused on the trail rather than on the symbol of Christianity. His organization felt the best way to preserve religious freedom is to maintain a separation of church and state.

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APPLICATION TO LIGHT THE CROSS (Continued)

Martin Kassman, representing the San Francisco Chapter of the American United for Separation of Church and State, and an attorney, concurred with the statements made by Mr. Walker. He wanted to amplify the constitutional issue. He stated that both the United States and California constitutions have Establishment Clause provisions that forbid the government from taking any act that establishes religion. These clauses have been interpreted by the courts to forbid such things as posting the Ten Commandments in public school classrooms and moments of silence for prayers in public schools. The United States Supreme Court has formulated a three part test that it uses to determine whether a particular government action violates the establishment clause: An action is valid only if it (1) has a secular purpose, (2) has a primary effect that does not either advance or inhibit religion and (3) does not foster an excessive government entanglement with religion. His organization believes that the lighting of Mount Davidson fills all three of these requirements. He stated that the history of the Mount Davidson cross does not show any motivation for the existence of it other than a religious one. James D. Decatur, the man most responsible for the cross, wrote a long poem about it. He noted that sunrise services began in the 1920s and that the lights were not installed until 1934. The cross has the effect of advancing a particular religion, Christianity. He urged the Commission not to light the cross, even for two hours.

David C. Smith, a Christian minister, supported the proposal before the Commission to allow the sunrise service and to light the cross two hours before dawn. He encouraged the Commission to remember its authority and responsibility for the entire City. He stated the Easter sunrise gathering at Mount Davidson is an important element of the deed to the City that such a gathering never be prevented.

Dr. P. Thomas Mammen, representing New Life Community Church and San Francisco Association of Evangelicals, has co-sponsored the Easter sunrise service. He stated the Christian community of San Francisco view Easter as a very significant event in their lives, do not want to offend anybody with the symbol of Christianity, do not want to force religion on anybody but simply want the freedom to worship in the manner they feel is important. He said the cross is a symbol for the Bay Area, for Christian faith, and is a tourist attraction. He asked that the community be given the liberty to worship in the manner in which they choose. He wholeheartedly supported the staff recommendation.

Barry Borrowman, stated that the cross means a lot to him because it reminds him of the death of a man who claimed to be son of God who shed his blood for atonement, for every man's sins. He stated he spoke on behalf of many people and hoped the Commission would authorize the lighting of the cross.

An unnamed individual echoed Mr. Borrowman's sentiments.

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Rev. Dr. Norman E. Leach, the former Executive Director of the San Francisco Council of Churches, affirmed the fact that the services will continue and noted that it will be the 67th consecutive year for an Easter sunrise service on top of Mount Davidson. He hoped the Commission, City Attorney and other people in the community saw the sense to save Mount Davidson for the future. San Francisco is a city of choice of mind and it has all of the world's religions present in it. He stated the Commission has an opportunity to show the world how everyone can live together in harmony and hoped this tradition would continue.

Hal Layer, an agnostic, and long time resident, stated he has been interested in the history of the Mount Davidson cross and noted that it is a major monument. He explained that it is a religious symbol, and noted that if you research the history on the cross as a spiritual symbol it predates Christianity by thousands of years. He stated that this particular cross may be the most important monument for the City of Saint Francis and is the great grandson of a wooden cross which was erected in 1700s. He thought it should be lit for ceremonial reasons, and stated you are lighting a monument to the City of Saint Francis. He suggested that if the City removed the cross, the City of San Francisco should be renamed Frank's Place.

William Taylor, explained the the original cross on Mount Davidson was wooden and remembered for many years the services held at this location. In response to a speaker who felt the cross was unattractive he stated that beauty is in the eye of the beholder. He felt that the cross is a symbol and remembered coming back from the service looking for the cross as a monument and symbol of hope. He urged that the cross be lighted.

President Eickman stated that the people of San Francisco have the right and privilege to gather and meet for whatever purpose they wish, be it political, social or religious. He supported the General Manager's recommendation to permit the service and to light the cross two hours prior to sunrise for safety reasons.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15320

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the lighting of the Mount Davidson cross for two hours prior to sunrise on Easter Sunday, March 26, 1989 for safety reasons.

19. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Bok F. Pon, representing the American Chinese Association, spoke about Portsmouth Square Garage, explaining that it made $1.7 Million for the City and the proposal to close the would save $55,000. He endorsed the staff recommendation of an overnight rate because the garage should serve the community and business in the area. He explained the present overnight rate was too high for the residents and felt the proposed $6.00 rate should $4.00 and in effect from 9:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m.

20. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman discussed the Zoo Advisory Committee and the number of meetings held.

21. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted to the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of January 11, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of March 2, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of March 2, 1989

22. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner McAteer the meeting was adjourned in memory of Edward McDevitt, former Acting General Manager of Recreation and Park.

On motion of Commissioner Harris the meeting was adjourned with best wishes for a speedy recovery to Thelma Shelley, Managing Director of the War Memorial.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime the meeting was adjourned with best wishes for a speedy recovery to Area Supervisor of Neighborhood Parks, Jon Huttinger.

There being no further business, the 633rd Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 1989 - 3:00 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, April 6, 1989, at 3:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (noted present at 3:07 p.m.)
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz
Absent:
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori

2. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Consideration and approval of lessee's (Gas House Cove Marina, Inc.) settlement proposal; action on amendment of lease if necessary. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session to discuss this matter with the City Attorney pursuant to Section 54956.9(b) of the California Government Code.)

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that on February 10, 1989, the fuel docking barge at the Marina submerged, took on water, and caused significant damage to office of the lessee, Mr. Paul Kaplan. This incident has also resulted in the loss of Mr. Kaplan's business because the fuel docking system has been significantly damaged. The barge itself is fairly intact, but there is a question of the Department's liability. Mr. Prindle stated that under the terms of the lease, the Department is obligated to

2. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM (Continued)

Statement of Mr. Prindle (Continued)

perform dredging underneath the barge but has not recently performed this work for a number of reasons one of which involved a timing problem with the Army Corps of Engineers' permit. Mr. Kaplan has questioned that the lack of dredging by the Department may be considered a breach of the lease and grounds for termination. There also is concern that the lack of dredging could have had an effect on the barge being submerged on the night in question. Mr. Prindle stated that he has discussed this issue with Mr. Kaplan and his attorney and arrived at a compromise settlement.

General Manager Mary Burns explained an important reason to resolve this issue quickly is because there is no concessionaire delivering this service in that entire section of the Bay.

James Reuben, the attorney representing Mr. Kaplan, explained that he wrote a detailed letter outlining his perception of the incident in question. He displayed a rendering of the barge, showing how it was moored. He stated the lease calls for the City to maintain a water depth of 8 feet at mean low tide. The lease is in its 19th year and in the last couple of years boats have been pulling up to the barge and grounding. Mr. Kaplan notified the Department of the need to dredge. Some time in 1987 or 1988 the City entered into a dredging contract and dredged around and under the barge and the desired depth was obtained as required under the lease. In August, the peek of the boating season, dredging work was performed around the barge. After discussion as to how to dredge underneath the barge, an agreement was made to have Mr. Kaplan move the barge to facilitate the dredging. Mr. Kaplan did not want the dredging to be done during the peak boating season. As a result, it is Mr. Kaplan's belief that there is a hump underneath the barge. At low tide the barge grounds but with the surge the barge is shaken loose. On February 10, 1989, there was a low tide, the barge grounded and locked itself on the piles. Because there was no wind or surge on this night, when the tide came in the barge did not free itself from the piles. Mr. Reuben displayed pictures of the incident and stated that it occurred sometime around high tide.

Paul Kaplan, representing Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., explained he closes at 5:30 p.m. and did not find out about the incident until the following morning when a boat owner notified the Harbor Master's office of the event. He noted that the Harbor Master's Office has someone on duty 24 hours a day.

Mr. Reuben explained that the barge is property of Recreation and Park unless there is a breach of the lease, notice is given with regard to the breach, and a determination is made in favor of the lessee in which case the barge becomes the property of the lessee. This provision was negotiated 19 years ago by Chevron, the lessee at the time. Mr. Reuben contended that he would be able to demonstrate that there was a breach to the lease caused by the City and enforce this provision. The proposed settlement waives any claim that the lessee might have against the City. It was necessary to negotiate with their insurance carrier to agree to this aspect of the proposed settlement.

2. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM (Continued)

Mr. Kaplan pointed out that he has never had any problem with the barge and that something caused the incident other than a defect within the facility.

Commissioner McAteer asked if a settlement is agreed to by the Commission would he be prepared to operate. Mr. Kaplan explained that if an agreement is reached, the Board of Supervisors must approve the settlement which will cause an additional four week delay. Also, emergency dredging work needs to be performed.

3:20 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session.

President Eickman explained the Commission is prepared to enter into a settlement by awarding Mr. Kaplan a 10-year lease, with the Department owning the barge; Mr. Kaplan would maintain the barge and provide insurance. The Commission is willing to make some improvements such as placing styrofoam in the floatation compartments and repairing the pile yokes and to offer a rent credit in the amount of $45,000. Also, the Department will provide a parking area as agreed upon between Mr. Kaplan and staff. The Department is prepared to dredge around the barge but not under the barge. It would be Mr. Kaplan's responsibility to dredge under the barge.

Mr. Prindle explained the difference in his settlement proposal from that offered by the Commission was that he had discussed a 20-year lease, a rent credit of $45,000 and a different proposal for the performance of the dredging work.

Mr. Reuben explained that the Commission offered a counter proposal and that his client was not prepared to respond to the offer at this meeting.

Mr. Kaplan stated from 1970 to 1982 there was never a problem with vessels going aground near the barge but that from 1982 to 1989 there has been dredging required three times. There is a definite change in the way the water is flowing down the waterfront and depositing silt. He felt the request to be responsible for dredging could be greater than the annual rent he pays to the Department.

Mr. Prindle suggested a compromise that would allow the Department to perform the dredging work but not be responsible for any form of damage that might occur with the cost to be made in the form of a rent credit.

President Eickman explained that he would calendar this time for the April 20, 1989 meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission.

Mr. Reuben stated that it appeared that the issue regarding dredging could be resolved but that the term of the lease is a serious issue which needed further consideration by his client. He further explained that he negotiated terms with the insurance carrier on the basis that the dollar amount of the rent credit would be $54,000 and that he was not in the position to waive the insurance carrier rights' without their permission.

2. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM (Continued)

President Eickman stated the concern of the Department are the question of the dredging, the amount of the rent credit, and the term of the lease. He suggested that Mr. Reuben continue to meet with Mr. Prindle to arrive at a satisfactory settlement.

A discussion ensued regarding the dollar figure of the rent credit and whether it was $45,000, $54,000 or $64,000.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was received.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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634TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-Fourth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, April 20, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

Absent:
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the minutes of the Special Meeting of February 7, 1989 with City Planning Commission were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 1, 1989 were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 16, 1989 were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary Burns submitted the following report:

"CITY RESPONSE TO RECENT GANG VIOLENCE IN HUNTER'S POINT/BAYVIEW AND VISITACION VALLEY NEIGHBORHOODS

The Mayor has asked all city departments to provide by Friday, April 21, an inventory of all services provided in the Hunter's Point and Visitacion Valley neighborhoods. In addition, departments have been asked what else they may be able to do that would provide jobs and recreation opportunities for young people in those two areas. I have asked staff to prepare, in addition, a wish list of what other programs we might be able to offer with additional assistance from the private sector. In analyzing existing resources we have found $80,000 in the fringe benefit account for the Afterschool Program that is not needed due either to a calculating error during last year's budget process or the fact that no Civil Service list exists for entry level recreation directors. With your permission I would like to send forward a supplemental appropriation in that amount (to be ratified at next month's Commission Meeting) to shift that amount of money into a salary account so we can hire additional recreation directors during the summer in targeted neighborhoods. I will also have a full description of the program and how those funds will be used next month.

REVIEW OF BUDGET WITH MAYOR

The Department is scheduled to meet with Mayor Agnos on Monday to review the budget adopted by this Commission for fiscal year 1989-90. We have already been told there will be a 5% reduction in General Fund support. On Monday we will learn of what other recommendations the Mayor will implement.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' FINANCE COMMITTEE BUDGET HEARINGS

On April 19, at a "pre budget" hearing before the Board of Supervisors' Finance Committee, the Recreation and Park Department presented its service level priorities for the 1989-90 budget. At the request of Supervisor Walker, the Department was to respond to the following inquiries:

° A brief statement of the Department's mission, what we are doing to accomplish that mission, and how the budget impacts on our service levels.

° A brief report on the Department's budget priorities for:
-Maintaining current levels of service
-Augmenting or increasing (with rational for priorities)
-Cutting (with expected impacts of 5% and 10% cuts).

A copy of the Department's response to these queries is in your packet. The Department is scheduled to appear again before the Finance Committee on June 13, for public hearings on the budget.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CITY LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

The negotiating committee for Service Employees International Union (SEIU) has reached agreement with the Mayor's negotiating team to the following changes in the contract with that union:

- Lincoln's Birthday will no longer be a holiday. An additional floating holiday will be added on July 1, 1990.
- Word processing premium will remain at 91¢ an hour for eligible employees.
- Employees assigned to work out of class will receive a 5% pay raise after 20 days.
- Interest on pay for employees will be eliminated.
- Comparable worth will continue for all classes previously determined as historically disproportionately occupied by minorities and women, with salaries under $45,000 a year.
- The Recreation and Park Department will make a good faith effort to expand hours and programs of the Recreation Division.

Most other contracts will be renewed and will incorporate these new provisions.

COMMISSION ON AGING GRANT AWARD

The Recreation and Park Department applied to the State of California Department of Aging for a grant in the amount of $250,000.00 to be used for the renovation and expansion of the South Sunset Club House. At this time we have heard that the grant has been approved. The site is to be used for senior programs in conjunction with Self Help for the Elderly. I will keep you informed on the progress of this project.

SPECIAL GIFT ACCOUNT

Supervisor Hongisto is introducing legislation to establish a special gift account for repair and on-going maintenance of the Golden Gate Pavilion at Stow Lake in Golden Gate Park. The funds are being raised privately under the auspices of the Taipei Sister City Committee. We have a valid low bid of $18,000 for roof repairs. The roof tiles have already arrived from China. Additional funds raised will be used for other repairs needed to the Pavilion. An analysis is being prepared by Debra Lehane of the Arts Commission. Remaining funds, if any, will be left in an interest bearing account that can be used for future repair needs.

TOMMY THE LION ON LOAN TO SAN FRANCISCO ZOO

The San Francisco Zoo has not bred lions for a number of years, and since the Lodi Zoo is in the process of renovating its lion exhibit, we have acquired from them on a breeding loan, Tommy, a 15-year old male lion for a 6-month period. Hopefully, by the time he is returned his visit will have proved successful.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBIT AT MAIN LIBRARY

The Department will soon be installing a major photographic exhibit at the main branch of the Public Library in Civic Center. The two-month exhibit, on display throughout May and June, will depict many aspects of the Recreation and Park Department, including its people, properties, facilities and programs. Anyone interested can view the exhibit in the Gallery Hall on the second floor of the Library.

FORT MASON PARKING LOT

During the entire month of May, the Fort Mason parking lot will be closed for repair. This will have an obvious effect upon the number of parking spaces that will be available in the Marina Green Yacht Harbor area. The Department will make the berth holders aware of this closure by public notice.

ECONOMIC IMPACT INSTITUTE

On May 10 and 11 I will attend a conference in Sacramento sponsored by the California Park and Recreation Society (CPRS) on the economic impact recreation and park facilities have on their surrounding communities. I will report to you a summary of the information gathered at that meeting. A brief report on this subject done by a professor at University of California, Davis, at last year's CPRS Legislative Conference was very impressive.

ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ROBERT LEET

Robert Leet, supervisor of Section 3 in Golden Gate Park, which includes McLaren Lodge and the Conservatory Valley, has expanded his responsibilities by accepting the duties of acting supervisor of the Conservatory of Flowers.

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 24, 1989	Recreation Program Committee 3:30 p.m., Junipero Serra Recreation Center
Thursday, April 27, 1989	Joint Meeting - Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission, 1:30 p.m., Room 282, City Hall
Monday, May 1, 1989	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:00 p.m. McLaren Lodge
Thursday, May 4, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, May 4, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Saturday, May 6, 1989	Strybing Arboretum Society 22nd Annual Plant Sale, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., County Fair Building"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

President Eickman explained that Items 4m, 4o and 4p would be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered individually.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15321

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period March 3, 1989 through April 5, 1989.

b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15322

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Llamas, Rodolfo	$147.29
Simonelli, Richard	229.41

c. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS OVER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15323

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the following litigated & unlitigated claims over $500:

Unlitigated Claims:
- Horace Howard in the amount of $1,287.56
- Patricia Cull/CSAA in the amount of $2,525.73
- Richard Grimaldi in the amount of $823.09

Litigated Claim
- Mark Denebein in the amount of $2,500.00

d. MICHELANGELO PLAYGROUND AWARD OF CONTRACT — RES. NO. 15324

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract for improvements to the Michelangelo to Playground to Cuevas-Mannion Construction in the amount of $219,110 and approval of budget supplement from Open Space Contingency in the amount of $54,758.18.

e. LAKE MERCED - SHORELINE IMPROVEMENTS AWARD OF CONTRACT — RES. NO. 15325

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract for shoreline improvements at Lake Merced to Valentine Corporation in the amount of $432,091.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

f. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS — RES. NO. 15326
SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the audited financial statements of the San Francisco Zoological Society for the year ending June 30, 1988.

g. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15327
SAN FRANCISCO SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL
CONSECUTIVE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the San Francisco Shakespeare Festival to reserve Bunny Meadow for various dates in August, September and October 1989 for free Shakespeare in the Park/1989.

h. GOLDEN GATE PARK AND CIVIC CENTER PLAZA — RES. NO. 15328
THE NEW SHAKESPEARE COMPANY
CONSECUTIVE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of The New Shakespeare Company to reserve Civic Center Plaza and Shakespeare Garden in Golden Gate Park for various dates in July and August 1989 for Shakespeare performances.

i. GOLDEN GATE PARK/KIMBELL, LANG AND WEST SUNSET — RES. NO. 15329
ATHLON SPORTS MANAGEMENT GROUP
CONSECUTIVE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of Athlon Sports Management Group to stage the Women's Sports Festival 1989 in Golden Gate Park and at Kimbell, Lang and West Sunset on October 21 and 22, 1989.

j. SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER — RES. NO. 15330
BAY TO BREAKERS
APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the permit fee in the amount of $30,000 for the San Francisco Examiner's annual Bay to Breakers event.

k. OXFAM AMERICA — RES. NO. 15331
SHARON MEADOW
APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the permit fee in the amount of $7,800 to OxFam America for the use of Sharon Meadow in Golden Gate Park.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

l. JEWISH COMMUNITY FEDERATION — RES. NO. 15332
MUSIC CONCOURSE
APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the permit fee to the Jewish Community Federation in the amount of $700.00 for use of the Music Concourse area on May 14, 1989.

n. UNION SQUARE GARAGE — RES. NO. 15333
SYSTEM PARKING OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
RENT CREDIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a rent credit in the amount of $9,905.00 to System Parking of Northern California for elevator repairs performed at Union Square Garage.

q. CIVIC CENTER GARAGE — RES. NO. 15334
PLACEMENT OF SIGNAGE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the content and placement of signage indicating new closing hours of the Civic Center Garage.

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The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar and heard individually:

4m. CAMP FIRE BOYS AND GIRLS
PERMIT FEE
SHARON ARTS STUDIO

General Manager Mary Burns explained that this item is approval of a one-time rate for rental of the Sharon Arts Studio until a fee and rate schedule is established for rental of this facility.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15335

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request by the Camp Fire Boys and Girls to use the Sharon Arts Studio in May, 1989, at the rate of $225.00.

4o. CAMP MATHER
STRAWBERRY BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL
RENT CREDITS

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained the dollar amount for the rent credit is $5,200 for various improvements at Camp Mather including repair of the solar heating system at the camp pool and prefabrication of 20 picnic tables. Additionally, the Strawberry Bluegrass Festival will prepare half of the cabins for painting and apply a seal to the dining hall floor.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee and the Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15336

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a rent credit in the amount of $2,060.00 for the printing of maps and posters for Camp Mather.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a rent credit for various improvements at Camp Mather in the amount of $5,200.00.

4p. CAMP MATHER
STRAWBERRY MUSIC FESTIVAL
PLAN OF OPERATION

Approval of Plan of Operation procedures for both the May 25-29 and the August 31-September 4, 1989 Strawberry Music Festivals.

General Manager Mary Burns explained the plan of operation for the music festival was approved at the Committee level. Since the plan of operation has remained unchanged for the past several seasons the request before the Commission is that in the future staff be given permission to approve the plan of operation administratively unless the content of the plan changes dramatically. Staff will conduct an evaluation of the festival after each event so that the Commission will be aware of the impact of the event on Camp Mather.

On recommendation of the Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15337

ACTION: Approved with the request that this matter shall be handled administratively in the future unless there is an amendment to the plan.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Interim Zoo Director Phil Arnold explained the animal transactions: the llamas have been sold but remain on site at the Zoo since travel arrangements have not been finalized. The Zoo has two male zebras which were incompatible and for the welfare of the animal one was sold. Three waterbuffalos were sold; one has been moved, the other two have not been transported. The male hippopotamus is very young and is being sold as it is considered surplus to the Zoo's needs. The monkeys, currently housed in a cage in the Zoo's hospital, were recently sold. The waterbuck and axis deer were sold to Mr. Tatum, an animal dealer. Mr. Tatum has stated that he has a specific location for each of these animals at other zoos or animal parks. Mr. Arnold explained he has written a letter to Mr. Tatum asking for the precise destination of each animal and has not received a reply to his letter.

Commissioner O'Connor asked if there was an organization that oversees animal brokers to ensure that they are legitimate dealers.

Mr. Arnold explained that Mr. Tatum is a member of the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums. Mr. Arnold further explained that a question was raised with regard to Mr. Tatum which prompted him to write to Mr. Tatum about his record keeping process.

In response to President Eickman's query, Mr. Arnold explained that selling the llamas would not deplete the herd and that they are quite young.

Sandra Keller, representing Citizens for a Better Zoo, raised several issues regarding the animal transactions: (1) it was her understanding that Mr. Tatum sells animals to game ranches, (2) during the roundup of the waterbuck one of the animals escaped and died two days later from distress and (3) inquired if the monkeys will be shipped to France and who would transport them.

Mr. Arnold stated that Mr. Tatum informed him that the animals from the San Francisco Zoo had specific destinations. He further explained that the waterbuck which leaped the fence and escaped was not one of the animals being sold and that the specific cause of death was unknown. He noted that he would verify the final destination for the monkey transaction.

Richard Travis, representing Citizens for a Better Zoo, asked questions regarding the move of the axis deer, the procedure used to round up the axis deer and the number of times that Mr. Arnold had worked with Mr. Tatum.

Mr. Arnold explained that this instance was the first time he worked with Mr. Tatum and that a female axis deer was removed which had no antlers.

Commissioner O'Connor asked if staff could make it a requirement that any animal dealer who associates with the San Francisco Zoo must sign an affidavit stating they will not send our animals to game ranches.

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

Mr. Arnold explained that there is no assurance that an animal dealer would comply with such an affidavit. He felt it was more prudent to have staff follow up on the final destination of the animals.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15338

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (which were processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

SOLD TO: Tulsa Zoological Garden
5701 E. 36th Street North
Tulsa, OK 74115
USDA #73-E2-3

Two (2) female Llamas valued at $6,000 for the pair. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO: Safari West
3115 Porter Creek Road
Santa Rosa, CA 95404
USDA #93-B-93

One (1) male Grant's Zebra valued at $750.00. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO: J. C. Schulz, Inc.
RD #1 - Box Box 92
Catskill, NY 12412
USDA #21-FY

One (1) male and two (2) female Asiatic Waterbuffalo valued at $3,500.00 for the group. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO: International Wildlife Park
601 Wildlife Parkway
Grand Prairie, TX 75050
USDA #34-BD-4

One (1) male and two (2) female Colubus Monkey valued at $2,500.00 for the group and one (1) male River Hippopotamus valued at $100.00, for a total purchase price of $2600.00. Payment to be credited to the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO: Earl Tatum
4 Pleasant Hill Road
Eureka Springs, AR 73132
USDA #71-C-2

Five (5) male and four (4) female Ellipsis Waterbuck, valued at $3,500.00 for the group and one (1) female Axis deer valued at $100.00 for a total purchase price of $3,600.00. Payment to be credited to the Animal Purchase Account.

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY
FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRICES

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse explained that this item is a request on behalf of the San Francisco Zoological Society to increase the price of some food and beverage items at the Zoo and also to ratify the existing price of an item. Justification for the price increase is based on increased labor costs and food costs. Ms. Stonehouse surveyed prices at other California zoos and found ours not to be unreasonably high with the exception of the beverage items. The Zoological Society has agreed to reduce the price of apple and orange juice from $1.00 to $.85 and to withdraw their request to increase the price for hot chocolate and hot cider. She felt this compromise was acceptable and requested approval.

Sandra Keller, representing Citizens for a Better Zoo, stated the cost for a cup of coffee seemed unreasonably high. She noted that businesses directly across from the Zoo offer food and beverage items at a lower price. The price increase makes it very costly for a family to spend a day at the Zoo.

Commissioner Mori noted that families have the option of bringing their own lunch to the Zoo.

Commissioner McAteer asked the Zoological Society to continue to offer an 8-ounce cup of coffee at $.75.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15339

RESOLVED, That this Commission, approves the following revised food and beverage prices at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens, effective May 1, 1989:

Item	Size	Present Price	Approved Price
Baked Potato with butter	12 oz.	$1.50	$1.75
Baked Potato with broccoli/cheese		$2.25	$2.50
Chili dog	4/1	$2.75	$3.00
Softee Ice Cream	4 oz.	$1.00	$1.25
Iced Tea	16 oz.	$1.00	$1.50
with souvenir cup	32 oz.	new	$2.75
Coke & other soft drinks	12 oz.	$1.00	$1.25
Coke with souvenir cup	32 oz.	$2.50	$2.75
Nachos Chips w/cheese	4 oz.	$1.50	$1.75
Super Nachos (Salsa, Guacamole, and Sour Cream)	5 1/2 oz.	$3.25	$3.75
Popcorn	1 1/4 oz.	.90	$1.25
Pretzels	2.5 oz.	.85	$1.15
Cotton Candy		$1.00	$1.25
Churros	16"	.95	$1.25
Apple Turnover		.95	$1.10
Peanuts	2 oz.	.85	$1.00

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY
FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRICES (Continued)

RES. NO. 15339
(Continued)

Item	Size	Present Price	Approved Price
Pink Popcorn	1 1/4 oz.	.85	$1.00
Coffee	8 oz.	.75	$ .75
	10 oz.	new	$1.00
Tea	8 oz.	.75	$ .75
	10 oz.	new	$1.00
Orange Juice/Apple Juice	8 oz.	$1.00	.85
Ratification of:			
Assorted Chocolate Chip Cookies		$0.80	$ .80

7. CANDLESTICK PARK
NAMING OF PLAYING FIELD

Consideration of the request to name the field at Candlestick Park when in football configuration in honor of Bill Walsh, former coach of the San Francisco 49ers.

General Manager Mary Burns explained the Mayor is asking the Department and Commission to find an appropriate way to recognize the contributions that Bill Walsh has made to San Francisco as the retiring coach of the San Francisco 49ers. It was her recommendation that when the Candlestick Park playing field is in the football configuration that it be referred as the "Bill Walsh Field". She noted that the Mayor, 49ers and the Giants support the request.

Guy Benjamin, as a former quarterback for the 49ers, endorsed this item. He stated the 49ers owe much of their success to Bill Walsh and this is fitting recognition for him. He enumerated Walsh's contributions to the development of the offensive strategy and development of the quarterback in professional football. He wholeheartedly endorsed this suggestion.

Commissioner McAteer expressed reservation about this item because the Morabito family, which started the 49ers, has received little recognition.

Ms. Burns stated she would find an appropriate way to recognize the Morabito family and suggested that some form of recognition could be considered perhaps at Kezar Stadium.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15340

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to name the field at Candlestick Park when in football configuration in honor of Bill Walsh, coach of the San Francisco 49ers (1979-1989).

8. PALACE OF FINE ARTS
EXPLORATORIUM
"PANDORA" SCULPTURE

Approval of the request of the Exploratorium for a six month extension of the "Pandora" sculpture installation at the Palace of Fine Arts Lagoon.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that the "Pandora" sculpture has been in place for six months without incident and the request before the Commission is to grant a six month extension. All stipulations of the current agreement will remain in place.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that Virginia Fusco, representing the Marina Civic Improvement and Property Association, remained opposed to the sculpture.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15341

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the Exploratorium for a six month extension of the "Pandora" sculpture installation at the Palace of Fine Arts Lagoon.

3:05 p.m. to 3:10 p.m. Commissioner Mori was absent from the meeting.

9. GOLDEN GATE PARK
DeYOUNG MUSEUM
SPECIAL PARKING PROCEDURE

Approval of a special parking procedure for deYoung Museum trustees for its Executive Board and Full Board meetings.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that the deYoung Museum has requested parking permits for its members on the Board of Trustees to enable them to park on the street immediately outside of the Museum for Executive and Board meetings. She noted that there are eleven meetings throughout the year and that the request is for five parking permits.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15342

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the special parking procedure for deYoung Museum trustees for its Executive Board and Full Board meetings.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Harris, McAteer, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioners Mori, Guggenhime

10. LAKE MERCED
DESIGNATION OF PARKING AREAS

Conceptual approval of paving of two parking areas and setting aside existing paved lot for exclusive restaurant use at Lake Merced subject to environmental review.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this item is part of the settlement agreement with Mirage Investments (Lake Merced Boathouse Restaurant). He asked that this item be deferred to the next Commission meeting as the Office of Environmental Review of the City Planning Department has not completed its review.

11. LAUREL HILL PLAYGROUND
REHABILITATION PLANS

Approval of schematic plans for rehabilitation of Laurel Hill Playground.

Assistant to General Manager Timothy Lillyquist explained that Laurel Hill Playground is located on Euclid Street near the Laurel Heights Shopping Center. The rehabilitation project, funded through the Open Space Program, will replace old play apparatus with wooden climbing structures, correct a drainage problem and provide additional security lighting so that the clubhouse can be used at night. The small plaza area between the clubhouse and play area will be renovated with seating. The Laurel Heights Improvement Association endorsed the rehabilitation plan and he recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15343

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the schematic plans for rehabilitation of Laurel Hill Playground.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Harris, McAteer, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioners Mori, Guggenhime

12. UNION SQUARE
PLACEMENT OF KOBAN

Approval of the request of the Union Square Association to place a portable police koban in Union Square.

Assistant to General Manager Timothy Lillyquist explained the Union Square Association has offered to place a police koban in Union Square. The koban, a small station 4' by 8', wired with electricity and communication to police headquarters, is designed to house one or two police officers. The koban would be installed in the upper level near the easterly end of Union Square and bolted to the concrete of the sidewalk. If it were to be removed it would be done at no expense to the Department. The Police Department has agreed to staff the koban during daylight hours. The unresolved issue pertains to maintenance of the structure. The Department does not want to assume maintenance of the koban and there is discussion that this function could be performed by the Union Square Garage operator. Mr. Lillyquist suggested that approval be granted contingent on the fact that a maintenance agreement will be finalized with Union Square Garage.

12. UNION SQUARE
PLACEMENT OF KOBAN (Continued)

Edward Lawson, representing the Union Square Association explained the concept was developed several years ago. His Association paid for the design of the koban and raised $44,000 for construction and installation. The koban will be a gift to the Police Department. He explained that the garage operator currently is responsible to eliminate graffiti on Union Square and felt that it might be possible to add maintenance of the koban as part of that responsibility. He stated that Union Square needs this structure and that it will benefit the tourist trade in the area. He urged approval.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan clarified the point that what is being proposed by staff is for the Commission to approve placement of the koban subject to staff reaching an agreement with the Union Square Association and the Police Department with regard to the exterior maintenance of the koban.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15344

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the Union Square Association to place a portable police koban in Union Square provided that the cost of installation and maintenance of the koban will not be borne by the Recreation and Park Department.

13. MARINA MASTER PLAN
APPLICATION FOR LOAN

Approval of submission of application for a loan in the amount of approximately $12 million to the California State Department of Boating and Waterways to fund the implementation of the Marina Master Plan.

Assistant to General Manager for Administration Phil Arnold presented two renderings of the location and size of the three breakwaters proposed for the Marina. He explained that the item before the Commission is a request to approve submission of a loan application to the State Department of Boating and Waterways to implement a master plan for the Marina. Elements of the master plan include breakwater improvements to both the east and west harbors and an extension of the Fort Mason pier outside the existing breakwater. In both cases these breakwater extensions are needed to control surge and wave action that comes into the harbor. The breakwater improvements have been the highest priority for the boaters who will bear the cost of the improvements through increased berth rates. Other major items are dock replacement for 45% of the berths in the east and west harbor, utility upgrade at all berths with electrical, water supply and fire suppression system, gangway and security gate replacement, dredging of channel to allow safe navigation, reconstruction of shoreline revetments and a new pier for approximately 40 berths. There will also be a float adjacent to the breakwater so that the small charter boats which now come into the harbor will have a place to board and not cause harm to the Marina. Additional parking spaces would be provided through repaving and restriping.

13. MARINA MASTER PLAN
APPLICATION FOR LOAN (Continued)

Mr. Arnold noted that there are other elements to Master Plan which lack sufficient funding. Those elements include reconstruction of failing shoreline revetments, dredging of inner west harbor, construction of new harbormaster's office so that harbormaster could see the entrance to both harbors, new boater restroom facilities, landscaping and handicap access improvements and dry boat storage facility in the East Harbor.

A discussion ensued regarding the placement and composition of the breakwaters, and whether the breakwaters would obscure views. Mr. Arnold explained it is necessary to have breakwaters to protect the harbor and that they were conceptually designed as concrete and steel barrier. The actual breakwater design will come before the Commission as a construction project in the future.

President Eickman said at the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee residents expressed concern about commercial boats using the harbor, traffic congestion and obstruction of views caused by placement of the breakwaters.

Howard Lim from the Department of Public Works explained that the Traffic Engineering Division reviewed the master plan proposal and that a traffic study will be conducted to see if the additional parking spaces would bring added traffic congestion to the area.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that she wrote a letter to City Planning requesting that all of the agencies who use the Marina area (including the Exploratorium, Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Recreation and Park and the Palace of Fine Arts Theatre) convene to discuss traffic impacts in the Marina.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15345

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the submission of application for a loan in the amount of approximately $12 million to the California State Department of Boating and Waterways to fund the implementation of the Marina Master Plan.

14. MARINA SMALL CRAFT HARBOR
GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB
STABILIZATION PROCEDURE

Approval of a stabilization procedure to prevent possible earthquake or surge damage to the Golden Gate Yacht Club.

Assistant General Manager for Administration Phil Arnold explained this item is a request from the Golden Gate Yacht Club to install a series of piles along the edge of their deck and one approximately 10 feet from the deck to stabilize their building. This stabilization project would expand their usable area and would be done at no cost to the Department.

14. MARINA SMALL CRAFT HARBOR
GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB
STABILIZATION PROCEDURE (Continued)

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15346

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the stabilization procedure to prevent possible earthquake or surge damage to the Golden Gate Yacht Club.

3:45 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. Commissioner O'Connor was absent from the meeting.

15. SHARP PARK GOLF COURSE
PRODUCTION WELL

Approval to transfer $40,000.00 in surplus funds from the completed capital project for Harding Park Clubhouse rehabilitation to the facilities maintenance funds for the Golf Division to develop a production well at Sharp Park Golf Course.

Golf Program Director Robert Killian explained that the current source of irrigation for Sharp Park is through the County Jail. Water travels from the jail and through a pipe which was constructed in 1937. Mr. Killian thought it a wise decision to develop a production well for irrigation in case the pipe breaks or some other mishap occurs. There is funding for this project because of surplus funding from a completed capital project.

Commissioner O'Connor explained she recently visited the golf course and inquired about stabilizing the seawall. General Manager Mary Burns explained that there is no funding to do this project which is estimated to cost in the range of $5.5 to $6 Million.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15347

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the transfer of $40,000.00 in surplus funds from the completed capital project for Harding Park Clubhouse rehabilitation to the facilities maintenance funds for the Golf Division to develop a production well at Sharp Park Golf Course.

16. BEACH CHALET
AWARD OF LEASE

Approval of award of lease for operation of a restaurant and bar at the Beach Chalet to the "Beach Chalet Group".

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that at the last Finance and Administration Committee staff reported that they were still investigating the finance package presented by the Beach Chalet Group. The Beach Chalet Group has asked to withdraw their financial package with the intent to continue to pursue alternate financing. He suggested setting a deadline of sixty days. If a financial package is not received by that date, staff will recommend that the bid be rejected and that the project be re-bid.

Gerri MacKenzie, President of Beach Chalet Group, asked for a continuance on their proposal rather than a withdrawal with a promise that it will be brought back within 60 days with documentation of their financing.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15348

RESOLVED, That this Commission grant the "Beach Chalet Group" an additional sixty days to present a financial package to the Finance Director for his consideration.

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Commissioner Mori asked if any other lease names a financial institution as a pre-approved assignee to a lease. He was concerned about using a Recreation and Park lease as an asset to secure loans. Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that any assignment of the lease to a third party would require Commission approval.

17. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
PARKING LOT

Approval of plan of operation and budget for operation of parking lot by the San Francisco Giants during the 1989 baseball season.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained this item was heard before the Finance and Administration Committee and that an estimated budget was presented at that meeting. Mr. Prindle noted two changes to the budget: (1) an increased cost for insurance and (2) a decrease in management services to Candlestick Parking Services in 1% of net. He recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15349

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the plan of operation and budget for operation of parking lot by the San Francisco Giants during the 1989 baseball season.

18. GOLDEN GATE PARK
JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
ACOUSTIGUIDE

Approval of contract with Acoustiguide Corporation for installation, maintenance, fee collection of Acoustiguide System; promotion and rental of Japanese Tea Garden.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this matter is somewhat controversial as it raises issues of changing the ambience and aesthetics of the Japanese Tea Garden. Installation of the wiring system will not damage the plant life in the Garden. The agreement provides for installation, at no cost to the City, of the Acoustiguide system, including laying of conduit, maintenance and operation of the system and collection of admission fees to the Garden. Mr. Prindle further explained that if this item receives approval, he will calendar at a future meeting a proposal to change the number of free days to 24 for San Francisco residents only. He noted that Acoustiguide has agreed to spend $75,000 in its first five years of the agreement to make improvements at the Japanese Tea Garden. Mr. Prindle explained that of the 2.8 million tourists who visit San Francisco each year, 1.4 million visit Golden Gate Park. This proposal is part of the revenue package. Staff feels Acoustiguide is a superior system because of mechanics of Tea Garden and the fact that a cassette system forces the user to go a certain route; this system does not have such a requirement.

Commissioner Mori asked if the guaranteed minimum for the first year is the same amount that the Department currently receives. Mr. Prindle explained that if attendance levels remain the same the Department would generate an additional $35,000.

Commissioner O'Connor asked how much revenue could the Department generate if it raised admission fees on its own, without the Acoustiguide system. Mr. Prindle explained an increase in admission would generate an additional $375,000 to the Department.

Walter Kaplan, representing the Acoustiguide System, explained that staff was concerned about how the public would react to this system and so they did a demonstration for four hours at the Tea Garden and offered everyone an Acoustiguide wand and then asked their thoughts. He stated that they received praise from those who used the system. The design provides a number of listening stations throughout the garden and as you walk through the garden one receives information. The text will be written with assistance from staff and the Hagiwara family. Acoustiguide will assume responsibility for admission fees and make $250,000 of improvements to the Tea Garden during the option period of the agreement. The system will be a multi language system and is a self conducted tour. Mr. Kaplan stated he discussed this proposal with the Hagiwara family and said their greatest concern was not the technology, but that the proper information be provided to the public. He further stated that they want to provide a special tour which gives meaning to the Garden and affords one the opportunity to learn about the Garden.

Chris Tellis, representing Antenna Audio Tours, explained his firm has done tours at the deYoung Museum. He felt the Department should not be single sourcing this contract and that if there is an interest in pursuing such a system at the Japanese Tea Garden it should look at all options and systems available before making a decision.

18. GOLDEN GATE PARK
JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
ACOUSTIGUIDE (Continued)

Edith Fried, expressed her opposition to the Acoustiguide System in the Japanese Tea Garden. She reminded the Commission that they are the guardians of the park and its primary commitment is not to raise revenue even if there are budget problems. She explained the Japanese Tea Garden has a special spiritual significance and that the amount of tour buses visiting the Garden already detract from the Garden. She further noted that many tourists do not have time to listen to the Acoustiguide System.

John Rossi, opposed Acoustiguide, and stated that with this proposal the Department generates only $35,000. If the Department were to increase admission fees on its own it could generate an additional $375,000. Therefore the Acoustiguide System in place would directly result in the loss of $325,000 to the City and a direct charge which goes to the private sector. He recommended that the Commission not approve the system.

Ed Schuster, a Recreation and Park Department employee for 26 years and a supervisor at the Japanese Tea Garden for the last 17 years, opposed the Acoustiguide System. He stated that the Japanese Tea Garden is the oldest Japanese public garden in the United States, dating back to 1894. The landscape was financed and designed by the Hagiwara family. He explained the first and only function of a Japanese stroll garden is to invoke an atmosphere of tranquility and peacefulness. He felt this proposal would be an intrusion and noted that the Tea Garden offers five bronze informational plaques which tell the story of the Garden. Additionally, an informational brochure is available. He stated that such a proposal would alter the Garden's 95 year old history and change the tradition of the Garden. He stated the Garden should be respected as a landmark and remain unchanged.

Additionally, Mr. Schuster read into the minutes a letter from Hagiwara family (George, Namiko and Tanako Hagiwara and Douglas R. Dawkins, Jr., Great, Great Grandson of Makoto Hagiwara), opposing the Acoustiguide System:

> "The Hagiwara family opposes the proposal for installation of Accoustiguide in the Tea Garden.
>
> Although our family applaudes any effort to disseminate good and true information about the Garden and its history, the Accoustiguide proposal goes far beyond the simple provision of information for an interested visitor. Especially distressing to our family is the proposal's attempt to allow the rental of the Tea Garden for private parties and functions. Commercialization of the Japanese Tea Garden would trivialize not only its intended function but also the cultural imperitives which gave rise to it.
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> The Tea Garden is a place of subtlety, a place easily destroyed if those subtleties are lost.
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> We hope that the Park Commission, in its wisdom, will find as we have that this proposal contains risks which far outweigh its possible benefits. We hope you will choose to preserve the integrity of the Japanese Tea Garden and its very special place in San Francisco."

18. GOLDEN GATE PARK
JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
ACOUSTIGUIDE (Continued)

Leslie Schemel, representing Friends of Recreation and Parks, explained that her organization has a group of volunteers who are park guides. Park guides have offered weekend historical walking tours in Golden Gate Park since 1978. At one time they offered walking tours to the Tea Garden and they plan to reinstitute these tours. The park guides were opposed to this system because personal tours can be adapted to each particular group. Last year Friends of Recreation and Parks gave specialized tours to a 1000 visitors. The park guides feel an automated system will take away from the historical and traditional nature of the Garden.

Heide Chipp, opposed the Acoustiguide System. She was saddened that people cannot read anymore. She stated that the Commission must look at other viewpoints besides the revenue producing/financial issues. She stated the Acoustiguide System will make money and urged the Commission to be aware of this fact.

Kevin Shea, representing the park section supervisors in Golden Gate Park, voiced his opposition to the Acoustiguide System. He stated this firm is interested in making money and that the admission fee to the Garden is not minimal. He noted that the Tea Garden is already world famous and does not need to be further marketed. He pointed out that if plant life at the Tea Garden is damaged, it is not replaceable the next day.

Dorice Murphy, representing Eureka Valley Trails and Art Network, opposed the Acoustiguide System. She noted that the Tea Garden is 12 acres of the 1000 acres in Golden Gate Park. She urged the Commission to reject this "assault" on the Tea Garden.

Ruth Asawa, opposed the Acoustiguide System and explained that the Tea Garden is a very sacred spot in Golden Gate Park.

Otto Miller, a former employee of Recreation and Park, opposed the Acoustiguide System and wondered what John McLaren would think of such a concept.

Masha Zakheim, a teacher at City College, spoke in favor of the Acoustiguide System. She noted that children are tuned into modern technology and would use the system and that the additional information offered was an asset.

Lois Miyashiro, representing Richmond Residents Council and the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods, opposed the installation of the Acoustiguide. She explained that the Japanese Tea Garden is a place of physical, cultural and aesthetic serenity. It is one of the only places in the City where there is a meeting of culture and nature. She stated that if the System was installed it would be an intrusion and urged the Commission to disapprove the proposed system and any similar type of system.

Roni Joan Howard, a teacher in the Hunters Point area, endorsed the Acoustiguide System. She stated she was speaking on behalf of the children who know nothing about the Japanese Tea Garden. She explained that she takes children on free days to the Garden and that the plaques do not tell enough. She noted that children use cassettes daily and that it is our duty to reach them with listening tools they like.

18. GOLDEN GATE PARK
JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
ACOUSTIGUIDE (Continued)

Lili Nguyen-Duy, works with South East Asian refugees and endorsed the system. She appreciated the quietness offered by Garden but did not think the Acoustiguide wand detracted from the Garden. She stated that the wand is quiet and offers people a choice. She noted that even though people should read, the reality is that people do not read.

John Bardis, representing the Inner Sunset Action Committee, opposed the Acoustiguide System and stated the Commission was crazy to consider such a concept.

Chuck Cyberski, said he had the opportunity to speak with Mr. Hagiwara yesterday and that one must try to capture the historical perspective the the Acoustiguide System can offer.

Commissioner O'Connor explained that initially she was not opposed to this concept and did not feel it would be intrusive. After further reflection she felt the system would be an invasion to the Tea Garden and was no longer willing to vote for the Acoustiguide System.

Commissioner Mori explained he voted against this item at the Committee level because he had unanswered questions. He stated that the Commission is responsible to submit a balanced budget but before this kind of system is implemented he preferred to pursue other areas to find ways to generate revenue.

Commissioner Ruiz opposed entering into this lease without entertaining a request for proposal. Personally speaking, he strongly believed that this System would intrude on the tranquility offered at the Tea Garden.

Commissioner McAteer noted that she had mixed emotions on this matter. After using the system and then walking around the Garden without the wand, she enjoyed the serenity and ambience without it. She stated she, too, would vote against it.

Commissioner Harris stated that the system did not bother him at first but after listening to public testimony could not endorse the proposal.

President Eickman explained the Commission and Department is under extreme pressure to reduce its dependence on the General Fund. Part of this year's budget contained a revenue package which included the Acoustiguide System. He noted that disapproval of this item will adversely impact the Department and may force additional layoffs.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15350

RESOLVED, That this Commission denies the contract with Acoustiguide Corporation for installation, maintenance, fee collection of Acoustiguide System; promotion and rental of Japanese Tea Garden.

19. LAKE MERCED BOATHOUSE
MIRAGE INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT/SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Approval of lease amendment and settlement agreement with Mirage Inc., for the Lake Merced Boathouse.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained that the terms and conditions of this lease amendment and settlement agreement were previously discussed in Executive Session. She noted that one of the terms of the agreement provides for paving and lighting of the Lake Merced parking lot area which staff has agreed subject to an environmental exemption from the Department of City Planning. If an exemption is received staff is prepared to proceed with the work immediately; if not there will be a lengthier environmental review proceeding. She recommended approval of the agreement.

General Manager Mary Burns explained the issue of the Lake Merced parking lot has not been reviewed yet and that the Commission needs to make that a condition of the settlement. She noted that if an exemption is not granted, there would be a need to submit further information to the Office of Environmental Review.

Ted Bayer, the attorney for Mirage, Inc., thanked staff for their assistance in the negotiation process. He inquired as to the likelihood of the Department receiving an exemption from environmental review. Additionally, Mr. Bayer was concerned about the specific wording of language defining a "sports bar" and wanted to exclude language defining a sports bar as a place that "sells alcoholic beverages."

Mr. Prindle stated that he hoped to have a determination from City Planning Environmental Review Division within the next few days.

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales proposed language defining a sports bar as a place which "sells beverages".

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15351

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the lease amendment and settlement agreement to Mirage Inc., for the Lake Merced Boathouse.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this settlement agreement is contingent upon the granting of an exemption from the Department of City Planning, Office of Environmental Review.

20. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Consideration and approval of lessee's (Gas House Cove Marina, Inc.) settlement proposal; action on amendment of lease if necessary. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session to discuss this matter with the City Attorney pursuant to Section 54956.9(b) of the California Government Code.)

James A. Reuben, the attorney representing Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., explained that Paul Kaplan, the President of Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., has spent a great deal of his time negotiating with staff and his own insurance company. The settlement proposal offers a 20 year lease in exchange for some concessions in the form of an increase in the percentage of return from gasoline sales which Mr. Kaplan will pay. Another item, how much credit will be given, is now up to $54,000, 20% of Mr. Kaplan's loss.

Mr. Reuben stated that he just learned that staff would be making a presentation relating to the cause of the accident. He explained that neither he nor Mr. Kaplan knew of any ongoing investigation and that he thought the issue of cause of the accident was no longer relevant. He stated that the cause of the accident was due to the fact that the Department did not dredge. He displayed recent photographs which depicted the water line on the barge. He explained that if the settlement proposal is not accepted his client must place the barge somewhere else in the Bay. The only way to salvage business is to start up.

Paul Kaplan, stated the issue of dredging under the barge came up at the Special meeting of the Commission. He gave the name of a local business which dredges under equipment.

5:45 p.m. to 6:40 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session. Commissioner McAteer left the meeting during the Executive Session.

President Eickman stated that the Finance Director negotiated in good faith but the proposed settlement presented to the Commission was not acceptable. The Commission was not prepared to agree to the settlement until it ascertains what actually happened. This was necessary in order to justify the settlement to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Kaplan explained that he acted expeditiously to resolve this matter and was frustrated with the process. He strongly voiced his concern that the Commission was not only placing a great financial burden on him but bankrupting his business.

Commissioner Mori explained the Commission needed to resolve the issue of liability before presenting the settlement to the Board of Supervisors.

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales explained that the Department will consult with two experts within the next three weeks.

Mr. Reuben made inquires regarding the experts, offered to assist so that the Department had everything necessary to make a determination and explained that they wanted to do their own report. In order to prepare a report he asked what the experts were reviewing.

20. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM (Continued)

Ms. Rosales explained that the Department wants to know what was the likely cause of the accident. The Department of Public Works' (DPW) opinion, based on existing facts, is that lack of dredging was the least likely cause of the accident. Recreation and Park wants to know the cause of the accident and has been told that with additional facts they may be able to ascertain the cause. DPW has suggested that Recreation and Park obtain a marine surveyor and a naval architect to help determine the cause of the accident.

Mr. Reuben explained their settlement offer was viewed from an economic standpoint rather than a liability standpoint. He noted that if that offer changes it is not acceptable.

Mr. Prindle explained that he was not given any further direction to renegotiate.

21. PON & HOM AGREEMENT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of agreement with Pon and Hom, pursuant to Controller's Audit. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

22. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Chris Tellis, representing Antenna Audio Tours, asked the Commission if they had an interest in considering his firm's proposal for the Japanese Tea Garden.

23. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman reminded the Commissioners of the joint meeting between City Planning and Recreation and Park scheduled for April 27, 1989.

24. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15352

Acceptance of the following gifts valued at $502,650.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Lester Yagorda, a donation of various plant cuttings, valued at $150.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

b. From the San Francisco Lawyers Softball League, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $2,500.00, for the maintenance and repair of softball fields.

c. From the California Center Partners, $500,000, for improvements at Portsmouth Square.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the interest earned on the $500,000 shall be credited to the Portsmouth Square project, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that appropriate letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

25. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee Reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of March 6, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of April 6, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of April 6, 1989
Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of April 11, 1989
Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory Committee Meeting of April 12, 1989

26. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of President Eickman the meeting was adjourned in memory of Alvin Schaaf, Personnel Officer for the Recreation and Park Department.

On motion of Commissioner Harris the meeting was adjourned in memory of Jeremiah Sullivan, brother-in-law of Mary Connolly, retired Commission Secretary for the Recreation and Park Commission.

On motion of Commissioner Harris the meeting was adjourned in memory of John Pels, a retired employee of the Recreation and Park Department.

On motion of Commissioner Harris the meeting was adjourned with best wishes to Edward Janelli, of the Department of Public Works, Landscape Architecture Division, who recently left City service.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz the meeting was adjourned with best wishes to Ted Wisnia, of the Department of Public Works, Mechanical Division, who recently left City service.

26. ADJOURNMENT (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Mori the meeting was adjourned in memory of Fred L. Swain, father of Dwain Swain of the Structural Maintenance Division.

There being no further business, the 634th Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, April 27, 1989, 1:30 p.m.
Room 282 City Hall

The Special meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission was called to order on Thursday, April 27, 1989, at 1:30 p.m. by President Keith Eickman and President Douglas Engmann.

1. ROLL CALL

Recreation and Park Commission	City Planning Commission
Present:	Present:
Keith Eickman, President	Douglas Engmann, President
Tommy Harris	James Morales, Vice President
Jeffrey K. Mori	Sue Bierman
Connie O'Connor	Dean Coffey (represented by Romaine Boldridge)
Santiago Ruiz	Robert Dick
Absent:	Rudolf Nothenberg (represented by Norm Karasick)
Frances McAteer, Vice President	
Richard Guggenhime	

2. OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION AND PARK RENOVATION FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1989-90

Presentation of report on the 1989-90 Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund by General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department and adoption of recommendations contained in this report.

General Manager Mary Burns gave an overview of the Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund:

° Updated the Commissions on the acquisition of a park site in Chinatown. Ms. Burns explained the acquisition of the Cathay Mortuary site for a park in Chinatown has been the subject of two court cases. The City was sued that an environmental impact report should be done and the court ruled that an environmental evaluation was sufficient. Then the property owners asked for a change of venue to Alameda County which was granted by the court. It is anticipated that this matter will be heard some time in October.

° An agreement was reached to acquire a park site in the Tenderloin. In the course of analyzing the site, the Department of Public Health discovered seven underground gasoline tanks. The Department of Public Health has recommended that the tanks be removed which is very costly. Concurrent with this acquisition the Recreation and Park Commission applied for a grant from the State Park Bond Act for funding to assist in developing a park site in the Tenderloin area.

° Two parcels of land were acquired at India Basin. Legislation will be presented to the Board of Supervisors to decide if eminent domain should be used to acquire additional property at India Basin.

° The Real Estate Department has recently reached agreement on the acquisition price of the Japanese Peace Plaza.

° The development of a park in the South of Market is well underway and it is anticipated that the park at Sixth and Folsom will open in October.

Ms. Burns outlined other completed rehabilitation and renovation projects including new play apparatus at Alta Plaza, Palou-Phelps Mini Park and Hunters Point Playground, rehabilitation of Biedeman Mini Park, development of Coleridge Street Mini Park, relandscaping Garfield Square, rehabilitation to the play apparatus at Glen Park and Grantan playgrounds, stabilization of slopes at Grandview Park, renovation of Seward Street Mini Park, installation of automatic irrigation at Juri Commons, completion of a tot lot at the North Beach Playground, completion of the Saturn Steps, completion of Phase II to upgrade the upper level of Little Hollywood Park, rehabilitation of the pool building at Garfield and rehabilitation to the Miraloma Park fieldhouse.

Major renovations are underway at Joseph Lee Recreation Center, the play apparatus at Ocean View Playground, renovations to Alice Chalmers, Cabrillo and the fieldhouse at Mission Dolores. Also, the Buchanan Street Mall is under renovation.

2. OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION AND PARK RENOVATION FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1989-90 (Continued)

For 1989-90 $5.1 Million has been set aside for acquisition and development of several parks. Funding is being set aside for development of a Chinatown Park, the completion of the Washington-Hyde Mini Park, the Tenderloin Playground, the development of a community center at the old Sutro Annex site in the Richmond District, and to continue funding for the rock outcropping in Golden Gate Heights. $2.5 Million is set aside for acquisition of another large open space in the South of Market area. Funding is allocated for the LeConte park design, a compromise which resulted from a proposed planned unit development in the Bayview area. Staff is also reviewing uses for the top of various Water Department reservoirs. Money is allocated for an erosion control plan at Sigmund Stern Grove.

Under renovation, $1 Million is allocated to renovate the North Beach Playground and pool. Significant shifting is taking place in that pool and the Department of Public Health has ruled that it must be corrected in order to continue operations. There is a proposal to renovate Mission pool. Additional funding has been set aside for Michelangelo playground, Sunset Recreation Center, Adam Rogers Park in Western Addition, lighting for the Beach Chalet soccer field, renovation of buildings at Pine Lake and Silver Tree Day camps. A small amount of money has been allocated to replace the rhododendron boxes used for displays at Civic Center, Union Square and Justin Herman Plaza.

Funding is set aside to resurface tennis and basketball courts throughout the City, development of community gardens, reforestation of neighborhood parks, and an evaluation and improvement of handicap access.

She commended the members of the Open Space Advisory Committee and particularly the co-chairs, Jeffrey Henne and Hilary Lamar, for their dedication. She also thanked Steve Shotland from the Department of City Planning, Edward Janelli from the Department of Public Works and Recreation and Park Department staff Phil Arnold, Timothy Lillyquist, Deborah Learner and Tom Chiosso. Finally, she acknowledged the foresight of the former Planning Director Alan Jacobs, for his contribution to this program.

In response to Planning Commission President Engmann's request, Assistant General Manager for Administration Phil Arnold gave a projection of the long term effects of these projects. He highlighted the specific projects which will require additional staffing and maintenance:

- Chinatown Park - 3 recreation directors, 1 gardener and 1 custodian
- Washington-Hyde Mini Park - 1 part-time custodial position
- Tenderloin Playground - 1 custodian and 3 recreation directors
- Sutro Annex site (Richmond Recreation facility) - 4-5 recreation directors, 1-2 gardeners and 1-3 custodians.
- India Basin - 1 gardener
- South of Market Park - minimum of 2 gardeners.

2. OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION AND PARK RENOVATION FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1989-90 (Continued)

He stated that total staffing requirements built into this year's program number about 18 to 20 staff positions to adequately maintain these facilities. The Open Space Program does have a maintenance fund for these positions. Additionally, the extended Open Space Program provides that recreation staff can be funded through this Program.

In response to President Engmann's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the annual cost is in the range of approximately $800,000.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Dawn Murayama, representing the Friends of Glen Canyon Park, addressed the renovation funds slated for Silver Tree building in Glen Canyon Park. She was opposed to renovating this building until the Glen Canyon Master Plan is completed. She stated that funding was allocated for this Master Plan in 1987 and has not been started. She explained that she was informed that the purpose of this renovation was to increase rental income to the Department. She noted that increased traffic would endanger the natural habitat of the Glen Canyon area.

Julius Zamacona, from the Excelsior District, explained that in 1982 plans were made for a park at Sixth and Folsom. He had hoped there would be a handball court at this park and wanted to know when it was going to open. He felt it was imperative that there be a playground in the South of Market area.

Jacob Sigg, representing the California Native Plant Society, spoke of the threat posed to the City's native vegetation by the invasion of exotic plants, primarily "French broom, Tansmanian bluegum, and pampas grass". He explained that native plants live in a balanced ecological system that prevents any one plant from dominating another. He stated that in order to protect the fauna, a comprehensive biological inventory must be developed and urged that the Open Space Program set aside funding to develop this inventory. He suggested that this biological inventory could be used at Bayview Hill, Mount Davidson, Glen Canyon, and O'Shaughnessy Boulevard.

Zack Cowan, representing the Sierra Club, thanked everyone for their efforts to implement the Open Space Program. He stated that the information provided to the public on this year's program was not informative and asked that more information be made available. He also asked that the categorization of expenditures be more clearly described and noted that it is difficult to decipher funding expenditures. He also stated that he strongly supported funding for the asbestos and hazardous materials abatement program. He further urged that the India Basin site be developed with native species.

2. OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION AND PARK RENOVATION FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1989-90 (Continued)

Nan McGuire, speaking on behalf of over 450 donors and volunteers from North Beach, Telegraph Hill, Russian Hill neighborhood, spoke about the renovation to Michelangelo Park. She thanked the Recreation and Park Department and Friends of Recreation and Parks for their cooperation and support to enhance this park site. She explained that the community is matching funding 4 to 1 and suggested that this type of community involvement be used as a model for other other renovation projects.

Michael Page, representing Marina Homeowners Association and Russian Hill Neighborhood Association, asked what steps were being taken with regard to street people living in neighborhood parks. He stated that with all of the open space being acquired it is a shame that street people are allowed to disrupt the parks.

Vicki Oppenheim, representing the Miraloma Park Improvement Club and as Chairperson of the Committee for the preservation of Glen Canyon Park, urged the Commissions to consider purchasing Lot 76, Block 2949A, a 2.4 acre parcel of land in Glen Canyon Park. She explained that this area has been untouched and that the immediate surrounding land is already owned by the City. If the City acquired this parcel it would be protecting this entire area from development.

James Kindregan, President of the Golden Gate Heights Neighborhood Association, thanked members of the Commission for the additional appropriation to acquire the rock outcropping but expressed concern about the small amount appropriated, $50,000, for this purpose. He explained that this dollar amount is not reflective to the cost of the property and is not commensurate with the total cost of the property. He urged the Commissions to reconsider the amount allocated for the rock outcroppings.

George Dobel, representing the Golden Gate Heights Neighborhood Association, reiterated the concerns raised by the previous speaker. He said he has been working on the rock outcropping acquisition since 1976 when the Open Space Program began and is pleased to have played a role in preserving open space.

Elie Tennebaum, spoke about the Golden Gate Heights rock outcroppings. He was happy that the Commissions voted to acquire and preserve the rock outcroppings for future generations and also thought this year's allocation was minimal. She asked the Commissions to increase the amount of money allocated for the purchase of the Golden Gate Heights rock outcroppings.

Ruth Gravanis, explained she was very pleased overall of the work done by everyone to make Proposition J (1974 - Open Space Program) a success and hoped that Proposition E (1988 - extension to the Open Space Program) worked even better. She stated her concerns revolve around the lack of a timetable for some of the specific recommendations. She stated that the Glen Canyon Master Plan was approved last year and yet the study has not begun. She further explained that there was a need to expedite acquisitions because property costs rise. She also reminded the Commissions of the need to consider the environmental protection elements of the Open Space Program's Master Plan in its deliberations.

2. OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION AND PARK RENOVATION FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1989-90 (Continued)

Katherine Clements, Vice President of the Glenridge Park Nursery School, explained that they are the tenants 9 months out of the year at the Silver Tree building in Glen Canyon and have been there for 19 years. She urged the Commissions to complete the Glen Canyon Master Plan and study before the Silver Tree building is renovated. She stated that the Nursery school has a program dedicated to the canyon's environment and felt the Master Plan should be completed prior to the renovation of the building.

Kelly Cullen, Director of the Tenderloin Youth Advocates, thanked both the Commissions and staff for their work and support for a children's playground in the Tenderloin. Recently the community closed Leavenworth Street on Sunday and many kids were in the street playing. It would be so pleasant to have a playground in this area of town for the community. Additionally, he underscored the comments made by Jake Sigg with regard to using native plants.

Cynthia Hall, representing the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners, was present to thank the Commissions for recognizing community gardens. She looked forward to working with the Open Space Advisory Committee and the Commissions in the future.

Brian Doohem, discussed acquisition of the ocean beach property, known as parcel 4. He explained there is indication that the Federal government will provide a substantial portion of funding to purchase this parcel but wanted the Commissions to consider funding the balance needed to acquire this ocean beach land.

Mary Burns responded to some of the concerns expressed by the speakers:

° The Department offers a summer day camp at Silver Tree and this building is in much need of repair.

° In response to the funding request made by the Native Plant Society, Ms. Burns explained that their project was considered but because of the major funding commitment needed for the South of Market acquisition, this request was deferred. She noted that the Department has been in contact with the Native Plant Society and is trying to develop a City-wide plan and approach on this matter.

° She concurred with the issues raised by the Sierra Club regarding the breakdown of categories contained in her report.

° She explained the Glen Canyon study was deferred because the Friends of Glen Canyon applied for a matching planning grant. Recently, it was learned that they did not get this grant but the study will now go forward.

° Ms. Burns explained the City Attorney is comfortable with the eminent domain proceedings and the amount of money set aside for the rock outcroppings.

2. OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION AND PARK RENOVATION FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1989-90 (Continued)

- The Clean Water Program may be able to provide a matching funding grant to acquire Parcel 4, Ocean Beach property.

- The parcel of land in Glen Canyon was not acquired because of the number of requests received by the Open Space Advisory Committee coupled with the need to set aside funding for the South of Market park.

Commissioner Harris asked when the automatic irrigation system would be used at the Marina Green. Ms. Burns explained that the purpose of installing an automatic irrigation system was to be able to water at night because there is less evaporation and to not impact park users.

Commissioner Morales was concerned about the renovation plans for Silver Tree Day Camp. He asked for the nature of the repair work and if there was a plan to intensify the use of this building.

Mr. Arnold explained the the primary justification for the rehabilitation project was not to change the use of the building but to allow it to continue to be used. He stated the building is very old, had dry rot, needs a new roof and windows and is an aging facility in need of repair. He explained there is not any plan to change the use of the building to generate additional revenue to the Department.

Commissioner Morales asked if there were building code violations with this building and asked if a change in usage required Commission approval.

Mr. Arnold explained that the Glen Canyon study is a land use plan for the canyon above the site of this facility and that the Silver Tree building was never considered to be part of this study.

Commissioner Bierman stated she went to the Silver Tree building a couple of years ago and noted that it was in need of repair. She also discussed Bayview Hill and the need to define limits to development and work together on such projects to protect open space.

Commissioner Morales asked what is the planned usage for the South of Market Park.

Mr. Arnold explained that the anticipated cost of acquisition alone would be in the neighborhood of $7-7.5 Million. If the site is acquired, a series of community hearings will be held to ascertain the appropriate usage of the park for the neighborhood. Currently, it is thought that it should be a park rather than a large recreation center since one is under construction at Sixth and Folsom.

2. OPEN SPACE ACQUISITION AND PARK RENOVATION FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1989-90 (Continued)

President Engmann thanked the General Manager for addressing some of his concerns with regard to the long term commitments of the Open Space Program. He asked that a general plan be done which outlines what is anticipated in the second 15 years of this program in terms of Open Space monies, how much is anticipated to be available in the next five years, and what are the implications of the additional projects approved in the first 15 years in terms of increased maintenance and renovation. He stated a situation could present itself where monies appropriated for maintenance infringe on acquisition. He felt a long term analysis needed to be prepared so that the Commissions can plan better.

Steve Shotland from the City Planning Department presented a resolution for adoption by the Commissions which stated that the Commissions found the General Manager's Report to be in conformity with the elements of the Open Space Program and Master Plan. He stated that staff reviewed the projects and found them to conform with the 8 priority policies contained in the Planning Code.

On motion of Commissioner Bierman, seconded by Commissioner Morales, the following resolution was adopted:

FOR THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 11641:

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

FOR THE RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 15353:

WHEREAS, The electorate of San Francisco on November 1974 approved a new Charter Section 6.413 establishing the Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund to be supported by an annual ten cent Ad Valorem tax for a 15-year period; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 specifies that the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department shall annually present a report on the disposition of the Fund for approval by a majority of each of the Recreation and Park Commission and the City Planning Commission meeting jointly; and

WHEREAS, In formulating the 1980-1990 program, the fifteenth year, the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department closely considered the recommendations of the Open Space/Park Renovation Citizens Advisory Committee which were made after several months of diligent work that involved community discussions, field investigations, and public hearings; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 requires that the program be consistent with the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Comprehensive Plan (Master Plan) and in accordance with the Recreation and Open Space Programs document; and

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

WHEREAS, The General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department on April 27, 1989, presented to the two Commissions, meeting jointly, the program entitled "General Manager's Report: Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund, Fiscal Year 1989-1990," dated April 27, 1989; and

WHEREAS, The Commission finds the submitted program to be consistent with the Recreation and Open Space Element, and desires to approve the program,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Recreation and Park Commission does hereby approve the disposition of the Fund and program contained in the "General Manager's Report: Open Space Acquisition and Park Renovation Fund, Fiscal Year 1989-1990," dated April 27, 1989, which program is found to be in conformity with the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Master Plan, and in accordance with the Recreation and Open space programs document, adopted by the City Planning Commission in Resolution #11067 on July 9, 1987, as amended by the City Planning Commission on March 24, 1988.

At this time members of the public may address the Commissions on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park and City Planning Commissions. Members of the public may address the Commissions for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

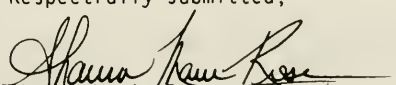
Julius Zamacona, asked the Recreation and Park Commission when the Sixth and Folsom Park will open.

General Manager Mary Burns explained the park is scheduled to open in October, 1989.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Joint Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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635TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-Fifth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, May 18, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Absent:
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the minutes of the Special Meeting of April 6, 1989 were approved with the following amendment (Page two, paragraph five):

> "Mr. Reuben explained that the barge is property of Recreation and Park unless there is a breach of the lease and notice is given with regard to the breach, in which case the barge becomes the property of the lessee."

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 20, 1989 were approved as presented

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the minutes of the Joint Meeting of April 27, 1989 with the City Planning Commission were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary Burns submitted the following report:

"INTRODUCTION OF CAROL SAM

I am very pleased to introduce to you our new Personnel Officer, Carol Sam, who will begin her new position with us on Monday, May 22nd. We feel very fortunate to have Carol join our workforce, and know she will certainly be an asset to the Department. As a bit of background, for the last 6 years Carol has worked for the Civil Service Commission, her most recent position being that of administrative officer of the Commission. Prior to that she was with the Classified Personnel Office of the San Francisco Unified School District. She also worked in the Mayor's Office with the Public Service Employment Program. A native San Franciscan, Carol attended Galileo High School and Mills College. I know the Commission joins in welcoming you to the Recreation and Park Department and wish you every success in your new position.

INTRODUCTION OF MR. CHARLES RATTLEY

At this time I would like to introduce Mr. Charles Rattley who is the Equal Opportunity Manager of the Department of Interior's National Park Service. Mr. Rattley is visiting several Recreation and Park Departments in the Western United States to review compliance with handicapped accessibility statutes, including "Self Evaluation" required under Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act. You have approved this "Self Evaluation" through the 1989-90 Open Space Program. The contract for the work will be submitted for your approval at the June Commission meeting. When Mr. Rattley returns to Washington next week we hope that he takes with him, along with his other good impressions of the City, a sense of this Department's commitment to providing barrier-free accessibility to all of our programs.

RECRUITMENT OF LIFEGUARDS

Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation, reports that we have had to temporarily discontinue lap swimming at Hamilton Pool because we have not been able to find qualified lifeguards who will work the early morning shift. An intensive recruitment just concluded by the Civil Service Department has resulted in virtually no new applicants for this position. Lynn Greenlaw, Supervisor of Aquatics, attended a recent meeting of pool managers in the Bay Area and this was a common problem discussed by those attending. I have asked Joel to post a notice at each of the swimming pools that jobs are available. In addition he will contact Michael Epling of the Masters' Swim Program and we will also be placing ads in the Chronicle and Examiner trying to recruit additional applicants.

ZOO NIGHT TOUR

The third night tour at the San Francisco Zoo will be conducted tomorrow evening, May 19th for members of the Zoological Society. This year the night tour has been conducted on 3 consecutive Friday evenings, and it is a great opportunity to visit behind-the scenes and feed some of the animals. Attendance has been great for this very successful tour, with 14,000 members having already participated on the first two nights.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

TV SERIES ON THE ZOO

A recent TV series on the Zoo raised specific questions about veterinary care and the possibility of a public health risk. On May 8 - 10 two experts in Zoo veterinary medicine visited the Zoo for the specific purpose of reviewing the veterinary program. It is anticipated that their report will be issued to the Zoo Director in approximately one month. As to the question of a public health problem at the Zoo, I personally contacted the Health Department which sent an environmental health inspector to the Zoo to review the situation. They have reported to me that the public health risk is insignificant and that the measures currently taken by the Zoo are adequate.

1989-90 BUDGET

In your packet for your information and review you will find an update on the state of the Department's 1989-90 budget. The Mayor will be making his recommendations public on approximately June 1st.

STATUS OF CAMP MATHER RESERVATIONS

The 1989 Camp Mather season is scheduled for the 10-week period of June 17 to August 26. Beginning April 7, applications were accepted, first from San Francisco residents, then from non-residents.

As of today, with 93% of cabin days reserved, the total anticipated revenue is $679,496. For the 1988 Camp Mather season with 95% of cabin days reserved, the final total revenue from reservations was $635,483. It is anticipated that the remaining available cabin days will be sold and that the final total revenues for 1989 will reflect a 10% increase over last year.

WATER CONSERVATION

Recently the Public Utilities Commission lifted its restrictions with respect to water usage. This is certainly good news for the Department and most particularly for its plant life. However, the Department will continue to work with the San Francisco Water Department to monitor our use of water and thereby continue our conservation program. Watering at night and the use of mulches will continue to be the practice of the Park Division.

LABOR MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

On Friday, May 19, at Sonoma State, the Department of Labor will be putting on a Labor Management Workshop to discuss workplace issues of the 1990s. The Department's participation will involve a worksite committee actually meeting for the benefit of the conference attendees to discuss an issue which now confronts the Department -- homelessness and its implication on Park maintenance. A follow-up report on this workshop will be given to you.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

ECONOMIC IMPACT CONFERENCE

Last week I attended a two-day conference in Sacramento regarding the economic importance of parks and recreation departments to their surrounding communities. Keynote addresses were made by Russell Train of the World Wildlife Fund and Frederick Cannon, Senior Economist for Bank of America in San Francisco. William Penn Mott, recently retired Director of the National Park Service, participated in both days' events. The conference was exceedingly worthwhile and I intend to use some of the practical information given to evaluate our own system. I think the resulting information will prove very interesting. When it is developed I will share it with the Commission.

EVENT 89 AT STERN GROVE

Event 89 is a collaborative effort between the Recreation Division, the San Francisco Arts Education Foundation, and the San Francisco Unified School District. The event will feature 350 children dancing, and singing in an original dance musical entitled, "Journey to the Fifth World." Special guests will include comedians Dick Bright, Will Durst, Marga Gomez, and Michael Pritchard. The excitement will begin at 2:00 p.m. and will take place in the meadow at Stern Grove. This will be a truly unique experience and I encourage all of you to attend.

TAX SERVICE FOR SENIORS

The Tax Aid Program, which is a free service to senior citizens offering assistance in preparing federal and state tax returns, was offered in conjunction with three Recreation Division facilities this past tax season. They were Chinese Recreation Center, Joseph Lee Recreation Center, and Rosa Parks Senior Center. This very worthwhile program provided assistance to over 400 low income senior citizens city-wide with refunds totaling over $140,000 of which $25,000 was attributed to 70 taxpayers from the Chinese Recreation Center. Hopefully, this program will be expanded next year.

STRYBING ARBORETUM PLANT SALE

Strybing Arboretum Society's Annual Plant Sale proved to be very successful, with gross sales amounting to $52,000. In addition, new book sales totaled $3,250 and used books $1,400. The event also resulted in 76 new memberships.

LANDSCAPE GARDEN SHOW

The Friends of Recreation and Parks held another successful Landscape Garden Show in April. Nearly 26,000 attended the five-day event at Fort Mason, which represents a 30% increase over last year's show. The 27 gardens, 48 horticultural displays, variety of retail shops and the new Hardscape Forum were well received by both the public and the press. The Friends estimate net proceeds of $100,000 to be allocated to the Department.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, May 29, 1989	Memorial Day Holiday
Thursday, June 1, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, June 1, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Monday, June 5, 1989	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:00 p.m. McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, June 7, 1989	Recreation Program Committee, 3:30 p.m., Hamilton Recreation Center
Friday, June 9, 1989	Employee Night at Candlestick Park (Giants vs. San Diego)"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15354

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period April 6, 1989 through May 5, 1989.

b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15355

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Frances Cavanaugh	$335.00
Maxine Harrington	$58.27
Roy T. Plato	$231.75

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

c. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS OVER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15356

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the litigated claim of Arvid Edson in the amount of $1,000.00.

d. ST. BONIFACE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, INC. LEASE RENEWAL — RES. NO. 15357

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the lease renewal with St. Boniface Neighborhood Center, Inc.

e. PROJECT INSIGHT SUMMER CAMP PROGRAM — RES. NO. 15358

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the $10.00 charge for transportation and snacks for the Project Insight Summer Camp Program.

f. OCEAN VIEW PLAYGROUND AWARD OF CONTRACT — RES. NO. 15359

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract to Cuevas-Mannion Construction, in the amount of $136,735, for rehabilitation of Ocean View Playground.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Conceptual approval of children's playground equipment for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens playfield area.

Interim Zoo Director Phil Arnold explained the children's play area at the Zoo consists of two sets of swings separated by a free form sand area. Most of the play apparatus has been removed from the sand area with the exception of a small twirl and slide. There also has been a safety hazard of sand migration which has resulted in exposing some of the concrete footings holding up the play apparatus. The proposed playground renovation will accommodate up to 100 children. Mr. Arnold further explained that the Zoo has solicited and obtained a private donor to fund this project.

Walter Kocian, from the Landscape Architecture Division of the Department of Public Works, outlined the components of the play area. The preliminary plan is to create a series of zones offering different types of activities. One of the clusters will contain a concrete structure in the shape of a camel which will be used as a climbing structure. Another cluster will contain intricate play equipment. Other elements will include horizontal and vertical ladders, chain walk, parallel bar, pipe tunnel, ribbon slide and turning bar.

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15360

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the children's playground equipment for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens playfield area.

6. CANDLESTICK PARK
SCOREBOARD ADVERTISING PANELS

Ratification of change in advertising panels at Candlestick Park.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained this request modify two scoreboard advertising panels at Candlestick Park through the Department's agreement with Sony Corporation. Two of the stadium advertisers requested permission to make minor changes in their display advertisements. Since the modifications were minor and because it was prudent to make these modifications during the Giants' recent road trip, staff authorized the changes.

Commissioner O'Connor was concerned that many of the advertisers were from tobacco companies which leave impressions on children who attend events at Candlestick Park.

Mr. Lind explained that the major tobacco companies have a limited potential for advertising and therefore a great deal of their advertising campaign is targeted at stadiums throughout the country.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15361

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the change in advertising panels at Candlestick Park for Marlboro and Budweiser stadium advertisers.

7. MISSION DOLORES PARK
TENNIS COURT LIGHTING

Approval of tennis court lighting at Mission Dolores Park.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that funding was made available through the Open Space Program to provide tennis court lighting at Mission Dolores Playground. There are six tennis courts and one basketball court which would be lighted through this project. The lights would be user activated, contain a shield to prevent backward glare and would automatically turn off between 9:30 and 10:00 p.m. Ms. Learner received a petition in favor of this project from nearby residents although there were a couple of people who were opposed.

7. MISSION DOLORES PARK
TENNIS COURT LIGHTING (Continued)

In response to Commissioner McAteer's query, Ms. Learner explained the lighting hours would be posted and the courts would be illuminated only when the turn-on button is pressed.

Michele Dauvissat, representing the tennis players of the area, supported the lighting proposal. She explained many of the tennis players would enjoy playing tennis in the evening and hoped that the lights might deter vandalism on the court area. She felt the lighting would not disturb nearby residents since the courts are not in the direct proximity of homes.

In response to Commissioner Mori's question regarding the duration of the user activated lights, Ms. Learner explained that once the lights are activated they will remain lit for the evening.

Commissioner Harris asked if the tennis courts lights would make the area an attractive gathering place for teenagers. Ms. Learner explained there is already illumination in the area and that the lights from the tennis courts will bring better surveillance from the street which may deter vandalism.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15362

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the installation of tennis court lighting at Mission Dolores Park.

8. PALACE OF FINE ARTS
PARKING AREA SPEED LIMIT

Approval of resolution to place 15 mile per hour speed limit signs along Palace Drive adjacent to the Exploratorium.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained the Exploratorium has requested that the Commission approve a 15 mile per hour speed limit along Palace Drive to the parking area for the Exploratorium. This has been reviewed by the Department of Public Works Traffic Engineering Division and approved by the Parks and Planning Committee.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15363

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a resolution to place 15 mile per hour speed limit signs along Palace Drive adjacent to the Exploratorium.

9. GOLDEN GATE PARK
INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGN

Approval of installation of a stop sign on King Drive at Ninth Avenue, Golden Gate Park.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained this item is a minor improvement which provides a stop sign at the crosswalk on King Drive. It was suggested that a stop sign be placed at this location to improve pedestrian safety.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15364

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the installation of a stop sign on King Drive at Ninth Avenue, Golden Gate Park.

10. ADAM ROGERS PARK
COMMUNITY GARDEN

Conceptual approval of plan for Adam Rogers Community Garden.

Coordinator of Special Projects Tom Chiosso, explained the Commission gave approval several years ago to place community gardens in some of the City's park properties. Adam Rogers Parks is an abandoned park site located on the south side of Hunters Point, near Oakdale, and the neighborhood has expressed a desire to have a community garden placed at this location. He noted that the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners has done an extensive community outreach program in conjunction with this project.

Cynthia Hall, representing the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners, explained the New Bayview Committee contacted her organization about revitalizing this particular park. The garden will contain a vegetable patch, fruit trees along the hillside, and flowering vines. She further explained that George Washington Carver High School has expressed an interest in participating in the garden as a class project.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15365

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the plan for Adam Rogers Community Garden.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
SAN FRANCISCO MARATHON
ROAD CLOSURES

Approval of road closures in Golden Gate Park for the San Francisco Marathon Sunday, July 9, 1989.

Assistant Superintendent for the Cultural Division Peter Ashe explained that the finish for the marathon was originally slated to be in front of the Conservatory of Flowers on a Sunday afternoon. Given that 8000 runners are expected to participate in this event and that John F. Kennedy Drive is closed to vehicular traffic on Sundays Mr. Ashe was able to relocate the finish of the race to the Polo Field. The elite runners will enter Golden Gate Park at 8:00 a.m. and the last runner should enter the park at 9:30 a.m. The intent is to have the runners out of the most congested areas of Golden Gate Park by 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Ashe further explained that he is working with the Bay Area Sports Coalition to develop standardized procedures for races on a City-wide scale. They are developing a sufficient number of routes and are outlining procedures to inform affected neighborhoods about these races.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15366

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves road closures in Golden Gate Park for the San Francisco Marathon Sunday, July 9, 1989.

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
LeTOUR de SAN FranceCISCO
ROAD CLOSURES

Approval of road closure in Golden Gate Park for Le Tour de sanFRANCEcisco Sunday, July 16, 1989.

Assistant Superintendent for the Cultural Division Peter Ashe outlined the course for this race and stated the hope that the last bicyclist should be out of Golden Gate Park by 10:30 a.m. The San Francisco Police Department will close some City streets for this race. Course monitors, equipped with walkie talkies, will be positioned at road closures to inform the public of alternate routes and the length of the delays caused by the road closures.

President Eickman noted that this race will inconvenience park visitors because one of the road closures will prevent anyone from entering Golden Gate Park at 41st Avenue.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15367

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the road closures in Golden Gate Park for Le Tour de sanFRANCEcisco Sunday, July 16, 1989.

13. CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
PERMIT REQUEST

Approval of the request of the San Francisco Police Department for the use of Civic Center Plaza for Emperor Norton Days Event July 13 - 16, 1989.

Assistant Superintendent for the Cultural Division Peter Ashe explained that this event is a fundraiser by the San Francisco Police Department to benefit the Police Athletics League. Because this permit request is for four consecutive days it requires Commission approval.

Ron Exley, representing the Police Athletics League, explained there was concern because this event would displace the homeless who currently reside at Civic Center. He stated that for the duration of this event they plan to offer the homeless the opportunity to pick up litter in return for food and housing near the Civic Center area.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15368

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the San Francisco Police Department for the use of Civic Center Plaza for Emperor Norton Days Event July 13 - 16, 1989.

14. LAKE MERCED
DESIGNATION OF PARKING AREAS

Approval of paving of two parking areas and setting aside existing paved lot for exclusive restaurant use at Lake Merced.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this item is a request to pave two areas of the parking lot at Lake Merced. He noted that this item required an exemption from the Office of Environmental Review Division of the City Planning Department which was recently granted. The plan is to pave the existing parking areas at Lake Merced and to move the fence line between the entrance to Lake Merced and Harding Golf Course so that one parking lot will be accessible at all times. Three new lights will also be installed for security purposes. He noted that this item was an element to the negotiated settlement with Mirage Investments in connection with the lease for the Lake Merced Boathouse restaurant.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15369

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves paving of two parking areas and setting aside existing paved lot for exclusive restaurant use at Lake Merced.

15. UNION SQUARE GARAGE
NEW BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Conceptual approval of new business development at Union Square Garage.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained this item is part of the Department's revenue package for 1989-90. There are four locations in the Union Square Garage which are set aside for use by the Department. Two of the locations are just inside the Post Street entrance of the garage, a third is an unusued exterior space just outside the closed entrance on Post Street and the the last location is the existing glass kiosk located inside the garage. The Finance Division asked the Real Estate Department to give an appraisal on the market rental value on these locations and the intent is to put these areas out to public bid. The intention is to build out a small retail space below plaza level on the ramp location and sell Recreation and Park Department merchandise. She outlined some of the proposed uses under consideration which include a newsstand, a florist or shoe shine shop. She noted that both the garage operator and the Union Square Association have been notified and are supportive of this venture.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15370

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approve the new business development at Union Square Garage.

16. PUSH CART/MOBILE CATERING
PARK PROPERTIES

Approval of transfer of permitting jurisdiction for push cart/mobile catering vendors on Park properties.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained this matter involves the transfer of permitting jurisdiction for push cart/mobile catering vendors on park properties. One of the components of this year's revenue package is to expand the mobile catering operations in Golden Gate Park and other park properties. Currently there is a problem where the Department has granted a permit to vend on park property and then the Police Department grants a permit to a competing operator on the street next to the park. The City Attorney's Office has suggested that the Recreation and Park Department assume permitting responsibilities for streets and roadways adjacent to the Recreation and Park properties up to 600 feet. Under the proposed legislation the existing Police Department permits will be grandfathered. Currently, it is not against the law to vend on park property without a Recreation and Park Department permit. The new legislation will make it a misdemeanor to vend on Recreation and Park properties without a Department issued permit. She further stated that the Commission will hear, as a separate matter, proposed locations for mobile catering and push cart operations.

16. PUSH CART/MOBILE CATERING
PARK PROPERTIES (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime was pleased with this concept and felt it would be a revenue source for the Department and provide better coordination of permit requirements.

Ms. Scanlan explained in response to Commissioner Harris' question, that the intent is to charge vendors a flat monthly rate or a percentage of their gross.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15371

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the transfer of permitting jurisdiction for push cart/mobile catering vendors on properties immediately adjacent to Recreation and Park properties.

17. RANDALL MUSEUM
SALE OF STAMP COLLECTION

Ratification of sale of stamp collection (Heard Foundation Donation) for the Randall Museum.

Assistant Superintendent of the Cultural Division Peter Ashe explained that many years ago a very sizable stamp collection was given to the Department with the stipulation that it be used for the support and enhancement of the Randall Museum. Approval to sell the collection was received several years ago. Several bids came in and one bid offered a flat fee with a guaranteed percentage. He further explained when the sale is finalized he will give a report to the Commission.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15372

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the sale of stamp collection (Heard Foundation Donation) for the benefit of the Randall Museum.

18. ATHLETIC FIELDS
POLICY FOR PRIORITY ASSIGNMENT

Approval of policy for priority assignment of athletic fields.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

19. RECREATION DIVISION
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Approval of a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $110,320, to establish summer programs for the Recreation Division's Afterschool Program.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item is a request to transfer surplus monies from the fringe benefit account of the Afterschool Program to the temporary salary account of the Afterschool Program. The purpose of this transfer of funds, which will be done in the form of a supplemental appropriation, is to provide five more day camps in high risk areas throughout the City, additional employment for youth during the summer through the workreation program and development of a new day camp for hearing impaired children. He stated there is a definite need for these programs and activities and recommended approval.

Commissioner McAteer asked how many children the day camp program accommodated.

Mr. Robinson explained that each day camp will have a maximum enrollment of 25 children for a two week session.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15373

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $110,320, to establish summer programs for the Recreation Division's Afterschool Program.

20. GOLDEN GATE PARK
CONSERVATORY OF FLOWERS
ENTRANCE FEE

Approval to increase entrance fees effective July 1, 1989 at the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained this is a request to increase admission fees to the Conservatory of Flowers and is part of the 1989-90 budget plan submitted to the Commission. The last time fees were increased was in January, 1986. He noted that Supervisor Maher opposed this increased.

Commissioner McAteer asked how the Conservatory Auxiliary felt about this increase. She thought it was important to have their input on this matter since they are involved in fundraising activities for the Conservatory.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that in the comparison to other facilities such as the Conservatory of Flowers the admission fee is low and that the Department needs to generate revenue.

Mr. Prindle explained that the Finance Division is searching for other ways to generate revenue and is developing a merchandising component so that revenues are not soley generated by user fees.

20. GOLDEN GATE PARK
CONSERVATORY OF FLOWERS
ENTRANCE FEE (Continued)

President Eickman explained that each year the Department receives less General Fund support from the City and is forced to raise revenue on its own. This year the Department will lose over $2 Million in General Fund support and therefore must generate funding from other sources.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15374

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following entrance fees effective July 1, 1989 at the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park:

	Current	Approved
Adult	$1.00	$1.50
Child/Senior	50¢	75¢

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, Mori, O'Connor
Noes: Commissioner McAteer

21. RECREATION DIVISION
LATCHKEY PROGRAM
FEE SCHEDULE

Approval to increase fees effective July 1, 1989, for the latchkey program.

Assistant Superintendent for Community Services Nan Neal explained this item is a proposal to increase fees for the latchkey program. There is a component in the fee structure that offers a 20% discount for families with more than one child in this program.

Commissioner Guggenhime also noted that children who cannot afford the monthly fee are allowed to participate in this program.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15375

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following fees effective July 1, 1989, for the latchkey program:

	Current	Approved
School year	$10/3 months	$10/month
Summer	$10/3 months	$10/month

22. LAKE MERCED
URBAN PARKS CONCESSIONNAIRE

Approval of lease amendment with Urban Parks Concessionaire to allow reduction of percentage rent and minimum rent due to "decimation of the fishery" at Lake Merced effective January 1, 1989.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained the fishery at Lake Merced is failing financially due to low water level, poor water quality and bird predation. The Commission directed staff to negotiate a lease amendment with the concessionaire. The lease amendment provides that in the event that there is a negative environmental situation beyond the control of the lessee the minimum and percentage rent will be reduced to one-half of the applicable amount for gross sales up to $275,000. Additional terms of the lease amendment will allow the lessee to operate or sublease a windsurfing concession in the South Lake. She further stated that she was directed to check with the Regional Water Quality Board to ascertain if windsurfing is permissible at Lake Merced. To date, no decision has been made. She recommended approval of this amendment, with its financial terms retroactive to January 1, 1989.

Commissioner Harris noted that he has heard of complaints regarding the tules at Lake Merced.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the tule removal is part of the Lake Merced Master Plan.

President Eickman stated that the water level at Lake Merced is a serious problem and is becoming more of an issue.

Ms. Scanlan explained that long term studies on the water level and quality are being done but it will be years before the studies are completed.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15376

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the lease amendment with Urban Parks Concessionaire to allow reduction of percentage rent and minimum rent due to "decimation of the fishery" at Lake Merced.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the lease amendment section pertaining to right to sub-license a windsurfing concession is contingent upon receiving approval from the Water Department.

23. CAMP MATHER
SADDLE HORSE FEES

Approval to increase saddle horse fees for the 1989 Camp Mather Season.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained this is a request to raise the saddle horse fees at Camp Mather for the 1989 camp season. Justification of the request is based on increased insurance rates. He further stated that staff views the saddle horse concession more as a public service matter rather than a revenue producing item.

23. CAMP MATHER
SADDLE HORSE FEES (Continued)

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15377

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following saddle horse fees for the 1989 Camp Mather Season:

ACTIVITY	Present Rate	Approved Rate
Guided Horseback Rides		
1 hour	$12	$15
2 hour	$16	$20
Special Child Ride		
children	$10	$13
adults	$12	$15
Hay Ride (1 hr.)		
Children	$ 3	$ 4
Adults	$ 5	$ 6
Breakfast Ride (3 hours, including breakfast)	$20	$25
Half Day ride (4 hr.)	$20	$25
Sunset Ride (1 1/2 hrs)	$15	$18
Children Lead Burros(1 hr)	$ 7	$ 9
All Day Ride (8 hrs)	$30	$35

24. MUNI SUMMER FUN PASS
DISCOUNT ADMISSION

Approval of discount admission at Coit Tower, Zoo and Tea Garden to holders of Muni Summer Fun Pass from June 1, 1989 through December 31, 1989.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained this item is a request from the San Francisco Municipal Railway to offer a special discount pass for the Summer, mainly for visitors. The Municipal Railway is asking various City agencies to participate in this program by offering discounts. The Department has agreed to offer a discount for admission to Coit Tower, the Zoo and Japanese Tea Garden.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15378

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the discount admission at Coit Tower, Zoo and Tea Garden to holders of Muni Summer Fun Pass from June 1, 1989 through December 31, 1989.

25. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Consideration and approval of lessee's (Gas House Cove Marina, Inc.) settlement proposal; action on amendment of lease if necessary. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session to discuss this matter with the City Attorney pursuant to Section 54956.9(b) of the California Government Code.)

Jim Reuben, the attorney representing Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., explained that settlement of this matter appeared to be contingent on the actual cause of the accident. A number of presentations have been made but the issue that remains unresolved is whether the lack of dredging caused the accident. The report from Moffatt and Nichol contained tide measurements taken on various dates and after reviewing those measurements Mr. Reuben found a gap of 1-1/2 foot which puzzled him. Paul Kaplan was at the site of the accident almost immediately and is certain that the grounding of the barge at low tide caused the accident. The diver, Tim Parker, came to the conclusion that the most probable cause of the accident was the grounding of the barge. It was his opinion that the barge filled with thousands of pounds of water sat on the mound and crushed it. When the City took measurements the mound had been pushed down two feet or so.

Paul Kaplan, the owner of Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., gave a description of the barge, explaining it was designed by a naval architect 20 years ago, contains ten water-tight compartments and is 80' long, 25' wide. The barge was designed so that if any one of the compartments were flooded the barge would remain above water. He stated that the premises were okay at 5:45 pm on Friday evening, 2/10/89 and that high tide occurred at 2:40 am.

He outlined three suggested causes of submersion:

1) Water Came in through the Hull Mr. Kaplan employed a marine surveyor who feels that the hull is okay. One minor leak which was taking in 10 gallons of water an hour was noted by the diver. In order to flood one of the ten compartments it would take over 40 hours.

2) Malicious Action The only possible means of flooding one of the compartments would have been through the use of a garden hose. It would take 13 hours to flood one of the compartments.

3) Grounding Mr. Gray, the former harbor master, wrote a letter which stated that he felt the constant grounding posed a danger to the barge. Mr. Kaplan further explained that he flooded one of the barge compartments and it did not sink the barge.

Mr. Reuben speculated that the report presented to Recreation and Park would state that the grounding did not cause the accident and that the report would not be able to pinpoint the cause of the accident.

25. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM (Continued)

Tim Parker, the diver who dove the site when the barge sunk, explained that when he inspected the vessel he found it aground all along the east side but he could get under almost to the middle of the barge on the west side even in its sunken condition. He inspected the vessel and began operations to get the vessel afloat. He first thought that perhaps something such as a flooded pontoon caused the sinking. He then tried to level the barge to reduce the strain on the vessel and began pumping compartments to remove the list. When they coffered the barge they heard a large noise, which occurred three times. He described the procedure he used to cofferdam the compartments to release pressure to get the barge on an even keel. He found no areas of leakage except for one of the compartments on the eastern side of the barge. He inspected the bottom of the barge and found no holes. He then inspected the pilings for damage and found no holes or distortions but did note fresh metal exposed, in the area in which the brackets were while in a submerged condition. The conclusion he reached was that the vessel grounded, and then when it pitched, it was held down and water came over the top of the barge and flooded it. He further explained that this was the conclusion he presented to Mr. Kaplan's insurance company.

Don Hildebrandt, a licensed soils engineer, explained his theory. On the night in question the water was very calm and the barge began to go aground. There was loose clay and sand sediments on the bottom of the Bay. The vessel began to take on water - close to 200 tons of water came into the compartments - and as the vessel took on more water, more pressure was exerted upon the soil. The weight of the barge on the soil compressed the mound and sheared it about two feet.

Mr. Kaplan stated that when measurements were taken there was a six foot difference which meant the bottom had an angle to it.

Mr. Parker reiterated the point that on one side he could get underneath almost to mid ship while the other side was totally aground.

Mr. Hildebrandt drew a picture of his theory for the members of the Commission which showed the bottom of the Bay, the water level, where the barge got hung up and how it pushed down on the mound and sheared the soil.

Mr. Reuben reiterated his point that if the analysis presented by staff did not include a soils report it was incomplete.

Howard Lim, from the Department of Public Works, explained that the City hired Tri Corp Marine Engineers, a marine surveyor firm and a naval architect, Mr. David Seymour to investigate this matter further.

25. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM (Continued)

David Seymour, a naval architect, explained that when the vessel grounded, the ground was sloped which caused the vessel to list and wrack the pilings. He analyzed the piles and the openings around the piles and found the vessel to list 7-1/2° before there was any binding on the piles. He surveyed the barge and found it not to be water tight on deck and that the hatch covers leaked water. The brackets, the rings that go around the pile, were attached to the hull on the stern transit with 12 bolts going through the concrete stern. The original design had the lower row of these bolts above water which would prevent leakage. The barge was impacting on the piles and the collars were putting high impact loads on the bolts going through concrete and resulted in spalling and eventual leakage. The lower row of bolts are underwater by about 4 inches which caused leakage. The diver found one leak. The Moffit and Nichol report found many corroded bolts. His opinion was that there was water in the various compartments during the winter and the vessel gradually trimmed out over a period of months. On the night of the sinking it trimmed enough that the uppper row of bolts starting leaking and water came in. He stated that he had no proof for this theory but that it appeared to be the most logical reason. He recommended that repairs be made to the brackets. He further explained that the design for the bolt was altered from the original design.

Mr. Seymour then discussed tide measurements. He visited the barge on 5/6/89 at 7:00 am and the tide reading was -1.7 feet. The vessel was responding to surge action. They took soundings around the vessel at every 16 feet and it was their opinion that at -1.7 tide the vessel was not aground. On the evening of the accident the tide reading was +1.2. It was his conclusion that grounding could not be the cause for the vessel to sink even if it was touching the bottom of the Bay.

Commissioner Mori asked if the water accumulated from rains and other factors and caused some of the compartments to partially fill over a period of time, wouldn't the barge stand level rather than list.

Mr. Seymour explained that he found water marks where water had been in the compartments. If the bolts were in the water there would be excessive leakage.

Mr. Reuben pointed out that the report presented does not include a soils engineer analysis. He felt that Mr. Seymour's conclusion was wrong and reminded the Commission that Mr. Kaplan flooded the leaking compartment and found that the barge remained afloat.

Mr. Hildebrandt stated that he took readings in March and May. Because of heavy rain activity during the month of March water sediments collects which make the measurements appear lower than they actually were.

5:15 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session.

President Eickman stated the Commission was prepared to offer a rent credit in the amount of $54,000, a ten year lease and would repair the bolts at the City's expense.

25. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM (Continued)

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that the Commission is offering the same settlement previously presented with the understanding that it would be a ten year lease. He stated that the other non-substantiative items could be resolved by the Finance Division.

Mr. Reuben stated that the settlement proposal seemed acceptable but that many issues needed to be finalized such as the fuel percentage figures. He was willing to work with staff toward a satisfactory resolution.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15379

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the settlement proposal of the meeting of 4/20/89 except that the term of the lease shall be modified from 20 to 10 years and authorizes staff to resolve minor terms and details of the settlement with the lessee.

26. JAPANESE PEACE PLAZA
ACQUISITION AND PURCHASE PRICE

Consideration of the acquisition and approval of purchase price for the Japanese Peace Plaza.

Assistant to the General Manager Timothy Lillyquist explained that the Japanese Peace Plaza was constructed in the late 1960s by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. At that time, the Peace Pagoda and keyhole shaped pool around the pagoda was placed under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department. Several years ago members of the Japanese community asked the Open Space Advisory Committee to acquire the remainder of the Japanese Peace Plaza which is privately owned. The current owner has a plan to develop portions of the plaza. The Open Space Program approved the acquisition and a purchase price has now been developed.

Mr. Lillyquist further explained that there is also a maintenance component for this project. The Recreation and Park Department is responsible for maintaining the peace pagoda area. For a number of years there has been a leakage problem from the plaza into the garage below. In acquiring the remainder of the Peace Plaza the Department will assume maintenance for the entire Plaza area and thus be responsible for the repair of those leaks. The estimate to repair the leakage problem is $330,000.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained there was concern expressed at the Committee level about assuming the financial burden to repair the leaks. He further stated the garage corporation was prepared to make the repairs provided the Department reimburses them for the cost of those repairs.

General Manager Mary Burns clarified the point that currently there is money set aside for the acquisition only and not for the repair of the leaks.

26. JAPANESE PEACE PLAZA
ACQUISITION AND PURCHASE PRICE (Continued)

Commissioner Mori stated it was his understanding that the Parking Authority wants to make improvements in the garage and is willing to repair the leaks if they are reimbursed for those repairs. He further stated that he was pleased to see the acquisition proceed without having to go through the lengthy eminent domain procedure.

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales explained that the City Attorney must render a decision as to whether the City can obligate future funding without first receiving a certification from the Controller that funds are available.

Sharyn Taniguchi, representing the Cherry Blossom Festival, spoke on behalf of the Japanese community, and explained that the cherry blossom festival is their major cultural event of the year. This event draws up to 150,000 people over two weekends in April. She stated that without the Peace Plaza it would be doubtful if this cultural event could continue. She urged that the Commission approve the purchase of the Peace Plaza.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15380

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the acquisition and approval of purchase price for the Japanese Peace Plaza.

27. SUTRO ANNEX
APPROVAL OF LEASE

Approval of lease for Sutro Annex School site for the development of a recreation center in the Richmond District.

Assistant to the General Manager Timothy Lillyquist explained that several years ago the Open Space Program acknowledged the need for a community center in the Richmond District and started banking money toward acquisition of a site. $2.5 Million has been banked for the acquisition of the Sutro Annex site located between 18th/19th Avenues and California/Clement Streets. This site was formerly slated for private development but has now become available for acquisition. The San Francisco Unified School District has requested that the Department enter into a 99 year lease. If this property is acquired the Open Space Program will begin to set aside funding for the construction of a recreation center.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's question, Mr. Lillyquist explained the type of facility they are considering will include a full service gymnasium, one or two multi-purpose rooms, kitchen facilities, off street parking and possibly an outdoor play structure for children.

27. SUTRO ANNEX
APPROVAL OF LEASE (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15382

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the lease for Sutro Annex School site for the development of a recreation center in the Richmond District.

28. PON & HOM AGREEMENT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of agreement with Pon and Hom, pursuant to Controller's Audit. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

29. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was given.

30. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15382

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gift valued at $47,700.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From various individuals, $1,700.00 in contributions made to the Orchid Fund, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

b. $28,000 from the Friends of Recreation and Park for the purchase of a "Playmobile" that will serve as a mobile Recreation Center to enhance recreation programs in high need areas.

c. $18,000 from Friends of Recreation and Park as a matching grant to fund a "Teen Coordinator" position to develop programs in the Recreation Division to service the teen population of San Francisco.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that appropriate letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

31. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman commented on the recent KPIX news broadcast on the Zoo explaining that neither staff or the Zoological Society were afforded the opportunity to comment on any of the issues raised by this report. He further stated that the Zoo Advisory Committee was meeting frequently and that the meetings were quite lengthy. He stated that some of the Committee members are considering asking the Board of Supervisors to extend the time period in which to complete their report.

The Health Commission has scheduled a joint Commission Task Force consisting of two commissioners from the Health Commission, Social Services Commission, Housing Authority and Commission on Aging. This task force is now inviting the Police Commission and Recreation and Park Commission to participate and review issues of mutual concern affecting theses agencies. President Eickman asked if any member of the Commission could participate on this Task Force.

32. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of April 3, 1989
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of April 24, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of May 5, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of May 5, 1989

33. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Harris the meeting was adjourned in memory of Gary Caraway, a gardener who worked in the Western Addition, who recently passed away.

On motion of President Eickman the meeting was adjourned with best wishes to Maureen and Dave Costello, on the birth of their baby girl, Mia.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor the meeting was adjourned with best wishes for a speedy recovery to Jack Gage, the concessionaire at Sharp Park Golf Course.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting adjourned in memory of Rose Ybaretta, mother of Don Ybaretta who recently passed away. Don works in the Special Needs area of the Recreation Division.

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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MINUTES

636TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-Sixth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, June 15, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:25 p.m.)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 18, 1989 were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary Burns submitted the following report:

"1989-90 BUDGET HEARINGS

On June 13th the Department appeared before the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors to discuss the recommendations to our 1989-90 budget. Both the Budget Analyst and the Department made their responses to the Board's Finance Committee. The Board directed the Department to provide additional information to the Budget Analyst on a few items and negotiate a compromise on the rest of the items. The Budget Analyst's list of budget issues and the Department's response to those issues are in your packet for your information. The Department is confident through negotiation and compromise, to retain most of the 29 new positions approved by the Mayor.

HOMELESS AT CIVIC CENTER

As a result of complaints from citizens and employees at Civic Center, the Mayor's Office has installed 4 portable toilets on the Larkin Street side of the Plaza for use by the homeless. They will be cleaned daily under the terms of the rental contract and are there for a 30 day trial period.

O'SHAUGHNESSY BLVD. PROPERTY

Supervisor Nelder recently introduced legislation to acquire a piece of property along O'Shaughnessy Blvd. that the Open Space Advisory Committee unanimously turned down. Because of other priorities and the fact that the Recreation and Park Department already owns a substantial amount of property (Glen Park Canyon) in the area, I chose not to recommend acquisition. I believe that the City Attorney will have to advise the Board of Supervisors that they cannot initiate acquisition, only recommend. This may come back to the Recreation and Park Commission at a future time.

EMINENT DOMAIN HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Monday, July 17 on the acquisition of the Rock Outcropping. Supervisors Walker and Hallinan have expressed concern over liability and have asked for an analysis from the city's Risk Manager before that hearing.

NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM

The Department is in the final process of converting its existing phone system to a new Pac Bell Centrix system. We have been pursuing this for over two years and finally have obtained approval from the Bureau of Telecommunications to proceed with the new system. The process will consist of replacing all of the existing phone numbers at all departmental sites by July 1st. Shortly thereafter the Department will obtain new telephones at each site and be tied into a comprehensive city phone system. Given that we do not yet know the new phone numbers to be assigned to various sites, there will be a period of confusion as telephone numbers are changed and the new numbers are distributed to the public.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CAMP MATHER

Many work projects have been completed at Camp Mather this spring in anticipation of another great season. A new bath house has been built; the sunbathing area at the pool has been expanded; the solar trellis and equipment that heats the pool is now functional after substantial damage from winter snow. Painting has been completed in the kitchen, all bath houses, and the store deck. Cabins 66-120 have had a new coat of interior paint, and all of the other cabins have been thoroughly cleaned. A new deck has been installed for teen activities over the old swimming pool and there is a new sand box for the young children. Even the garbage cans have been bear-proofed.

Our first group of seniors, a record-breaking total of 164, left for their stay at Camp Mather on Monday, June 12th. It is anticipated that over 200 seniors will sign up for the second session in August.

As of today, with 96% of cabin days reserved, the total anticipated revenue is $700,555. For the 1988 Camp Mather season with 95% of cabin days reserved, the final total revenue from reservations was $635,483. With the regular camp season to begin this Saturday, revenue from reservations has exceeded last year's revenue by approximately 10%.

ZOO NEWS

On June 22nd there will be a press conference announcing the emergence of our new baby koala. The mother and baby will be on view at Koala Crossing every Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday through the summer. A koala naming contest will take place between June 21st and July 12th. The winning name will be announced on July 15th at the Zoo's 60th Birthday Celebration.

BAY TO BREAKERS

The Bay to Breakers foot race took place on Sunday, May 21st with well over 100,000 runners participating in this event. There were no untoward incidents associated with the race or the post race celebration held at the Polo Field unlike other years. No major damage in the park was discovered and cleanup was promptly and expeditiously carried out.

RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT SUMMER PROGRAM

The Summer Schedule of Activities has been published and is currently being distributed. This year, at the request of Sherry Agnos, each student enrolled with the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) will receive a copy of this program through a coordinated dissemination effort between our department and the SFUSD. Approximately 63,000 copies have been distributed to the public schools. Additionally, more than 200 programs have been mailed out by our department and the main branch of the Public Library will have a supply on hand.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

FOCUS MAGAZINE FEATURES GOLDEN GATE PARK

I call your attention to the June issue of Focus Magazine with a feature article on "The Best Bloomin' Park in the World." Naturally, the author is speaking about Golden Gate Park. Also highlighted in this issue are the "99+ Best of the Bay Area." Among the "best" listed are the Strybing Arboretum, the Fly Casting Pool, Conservatory of Flowers, and Stern Grove.

KEZAR UPDATE

Major demolition at Kezar Stadium will get underway on June 22nd. The area has been fenced and minor asbestos removal has been accomplished. The City is surveying adjacent property to have a documentation of existing conditions should concerns arise in the future. The sequence of demolition will start with dismantling of the interior portions of the stadium. Crushing and hauling of concrete will follow with removal of portions of the outer wall.

STERN GROVE FESTIVAL

The 1989 Stern Grove Festival will begin its 52nd season on Sunday, June 18th. This free series of afternoon concerts is a highlight of the summer season to be enjoyed by all. The first concert will be performed by the San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra. The series continues through August 20th.

RETIREMENTS

Marie Thurman	1424 Clerk Typist	12 years

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, June 17, 1989	Sharon Art Studio Spring Show 4:00 - 7:30 p.m., Sharon Building
Tuesday, July 4, 1989	Holiday
Thursday, July 6, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, July 6, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Monday, July 10, 1989	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:15 p.m., Education Classroom, S.F. Zoo
Saturday - Sunday July 15 - 16, 1989	San Francisco Zoo 60th Birthday Celebration"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

President Eickman explained that Item 4h (Strawberry Bluegrass Festival - Rent Credits) was removed from the Consent Calendar and would be heard separately.

Commissioner McAteer asked that the funding allocation be clarified for Item 4e (Buena Vista Master Plan).

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that this particular contract paid for a portion of the master plan project including the improvements to the children's play area and development of a grass meadow area at the summit. Additional funding has been budgeted for other aspects of the project including playground equipment purchase and installation.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572 were adopted:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15383

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period May 8, 1989 through May 31, 1989.

b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15384

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Susan Bartels	$ 65.91
Martin DiGrande	270.15
Wm. Allen Fleharty	411.24
Peter Girard	249.91
Sergio Granelli	61.49
Julia Soumarocoff	59.79

c. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS OVER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15385

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the following claims:

- litigated claim of Susi Nichols in the amount of $1,000.00.
- unlitigated claim of USAA Insurance for Lynda S. Ewing in the amount of $2,059.77

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

d. KEZAR STADIUM — RES. NO. 15386
GOLDEN GATE PARK
AWARD OF CONTRACT/APPROVAL OF BUDGET

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract and the award of budget to Ferma Corporation in the amount of $559,000, for the demolition of Kezar Stadium.

e. BUENA VISTA PARK — RES. NO. 15387
AWARD OF CONTRACT/APPROVAL OF BUDGET

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract and budget to Cuevas-Mannion Construction in the amount of $153,170, for improvements to the Buena Vista Playground and grassy summit.

f. CROCKER AMAZON PLAYGROUND — RES. NO. 15388
AWARD OF CONTRACT/APPROVAL OF BUDGET

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract and budget to Munkdale Construction in the amount of $97,340, for improvements to the Crocker Amazon Playground.

g. FURHMAN BEQUEST — RES. NO. 15389
REFORESTATION PROGRAM

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an expenditure in the amount of $162,896 from the Furhman Bequest for Reforestation Program in Golden Gate Park.

i. LAKE MERCED — RES. NO. 15390
URBAN PARK CONCESSIONAIRE
WINDSURFING

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following windsurfing equipment rental and lesson rates at Lake Merced effective July 1, 1989:

6-hour windsurfing course:	$85.00	
Group rate for 6-hour course:	$70.00	
Sailboard rentals:	$ 8.00 per hour	$25.00 per day

j. MOORE IACOFANO GOLTSMAN — RES. NO. 15391
HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBILITY SURVEY
AWARD OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract to the firm of Moore Iacofano Goltsman for $68,199 to perform a Handicapped Accessibility Survey per Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act.

Note: The following item was removed from the Consent Calendar and heard separately.

4h. CAMP MATHER
STRAWBERRY BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL
RENT CREDITS

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this item is approval of two rent credits, one for the purchase of an ice machine valued at $5,700, the other for engineering services for the Labor Day and Memorial Day Festivals held at Camp Mather.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the installation of an ice machine was done at the urging of the Health Department who suggested it during their annual inspection at Camp Mather.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15392

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a rent credit with the Strawberry Bluegrass Festival not to exceed $5,700 for the purchase of an ice machine and an additional rent credit in the amount of $2,600 for engineering services performed in connection with the 1989 Memorial and Labor Day Festivals at Camp Mather.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. WASHINGTON SQUARE
PLACEMENT OF PLAQUE HONORING JUANA BRIONES

Appeal of the denial to place a plaque honoring Juana Briones in Washington Square.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the issue of recognizing individuals on park property is one of the most controversial issues facing the Commission. Often, the Commission will be asked to agree or disagree with a staff recommendation and the public's perception as to what is appropriate. In August 1988, after much staff review, the Commission adopted a revision to the Naming of Facilities Policy (originally adopted in 1981), giving direction to staff as to when it was appropriate to name a park or place a commemorative plaque in a park.

Staff receives many requests to name parks or place commemorative plaques in parks. Recreation and Park has an obligation to the public not to have parks resembling cemeteries or to be full of wall-to-wall plaques. Ms. Burns reminded the Commission that it must be cognizant of the fact that this item is not a one time issue. The current policy does allow, in some limited cases, placement of plaques in parks when there is a clear relationship between a person and the park.

5. WASHINGTON SQUARE
PLACEMENT OF PLAQUE HONORING JUANA BRIONES (Continued)

Ms. Burns explained that in reviewing the life of Juana Briones it was found that her relationship to the park does not fit the guidelines of the Naming of Facilities Policy. Ms. Briones apparently farmed the area which is the site of Washington Square but there is no record that reflects that she donated the land or had a direct relationship to the development of this park. While Ms. Briones was obviously a historic figure in San Francisco there may be some more appropriate place other than Washington Square where her contributions to San Francisco could be recognized. Ms. Burns noted that there has been an issue raised in the press that the Commission has been unfair in terms of recognizing the contributions made by women to this City. She submitted a list of some of the plaques and facilities which recognize women:

°The Randall Museum
°Plaque honoring Nan Becker at the North Beach Tot Lot
°Plaque in memory of Sheva Brandis at Golden Gate Park Senior Center
°Ida Hoff Clubhouse at Fulton Playground
°Rosa Parks Senior Center
°Buckley Room at the Randall Museum
°Gertrude Atherton Plaque at Lafayette Park
°Coit Tower
°Kezar Stadium
°Allyne Park
°Madelaine Waddell Library at the Randall Museum
°Elsa Strait Meeting Room at Eureka Valley Recreation Center
°Alice Chalmers Playground
°Mary B. Connolly Children's Playground
°Helen Wills Playground
°Alice Marble Tennis Courts
°Barbara Rosenthal Summer Tennis Programs
°Ina Coolbrith Playground

Ms. Burns believed that while Ms. Briones was someone who might be recognized, Recreation and Park is not the sole agency that may provide such recognition. She suggested that the Women's Heritage Museum look for some other appropriate way to honor Ms. Briones' contribution.

Commissioner Guggenhime clarified the point that the principal reason for the denial was based on Ms. Briones' contribution to this park. It was not significant enough to justify placing of the plaque.

Ms. Burns stated that, as a principal, the Department does not want plaques all over the parks. She receives over 50 similar types of requests a year and follows the policy guidelines in handling them. She suggested that if this request is granted, perhaps the policy should be revised. She noted that this is one of the few cases where the sponsors have chosen to appeal to the Commission.

In response to Commissioner O'Connor's query regarding how many Latinos are recognized, Ms. Burns noted Father Serra and Ralph Maridiaga.

5. WASHINGTON SQUARE
PLACEMENT OF PLAQUE HONORING JUANA BRIONES (Continued)

Jeanne McDonnell, Director of the Women's Heritage Museum, explained that she assisted the San Francisco Committee of the Museum in its research on Juana Briones and the early history of San Francisco. She explained that one of the noted historians of that period, William Davis, said that the first settler at North Beach was Juana Briones. It has been said that Ms. Briones was one of the first three settlers at North Beach, she being the only Hispanic born in the country. The North Beach area, which was the cove where ships anchored was named Yerba Buena in 1835 and later named San Francisco. At the time Ms. Briones lived in this area, she used the Washington Square area as a vegetable patch and coral, where she made her living. Her land fronted Powell, Filbert and Greenwich Streets. Ms. McDonnell felt that Ms. Briones should be recognized not only because she was the pioneer Hispanic settler of San Francisco but for her other deeds as well. She commented that most of the accounts of this time were written by men who were not very observant about the daily lives of women.

Ms. McDonnell felt that the City's parks should reflect the histories from different periods of time and different ways of thinking. Washington Square is the focus of a very historic neighborhood with a rich ethnic composition. The plaque proposed would add a historical element now missing to that park. This marker would provide the passer by a historical piece from the City's history. The plaque has received approval from the State Historical Resources Commission and the San Francisco Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board; many letters of support from neighborhood groups, individuals, etc., have been submitted. She asked that this marker be placed discretely in Washington Square.

Muriel Knapp, chair of the San Francisco Chapter of the Women's Heritage Museum, stated how much she appreciated the City's parks and open space and the beauty they provide. She explained that on 6/1/89 members of the Telegraph Hill Dwellers, North Beach Neighbors and North Beach Chamber of Commerce met at Washington Square and walked around the periphery of the park with the objective of finding a place for the plaque that would not obstruct any views or open space. Ms. Knapp displayed photographs of five proposed locations for the plaque and noted that she personally liked the location at the corner of Stockton and Union. At this location, one could visualize the cattle in the park and Ms. Briones' house. She stated that many letters of support have been submitted and that everyone she contacted was supportive of having this marker in Washington Square. Ms. Knapp also spoke to the Art Commission which has agreed to maintain the marker. She enthusiastically supported the placement of this plaque at Washington Square.

Paula Lichtenberg, representing the National Organization for Women, and the San Francisco Bay Area Gay and Lesbian Historical Society, perceived the Naming of Facilities Policy to allow markers in a limited capacity when there is a clear relation to the person. She felt there was a very clear relationship of Ms. Briones to Washington Square. She noted that there are markers all over the City depicting points of interest and are a wonderful enhancement to the property and do not detract from it. She further stated at Ina Coolbrith Park there is a marker which explains that Ina Coolbrith was a poet, the first woman librarian in the state, and one of the only woman members of the Bohemian Club. She felt the Commission could selectively choose markers which contribute to civic education and felt that this case fit within the policy guidelines.

5. WASHINGTON SQUARE
PLACEMENT OF PLAQUE HONORING JUANA BRIONES (Continued)

Wilma L. Espinosa, a San Francisco resident, Vice President of the Bay Area Network of Latinos (BANELA), and former National President of the Mexican American Women National Association, urged the Commission to allow the placement of the marker in Washington Square in recognition of Juana Briones. Approval of this plaque would acknowledge the contributions of Hispanic women in the past and present. She noted that the listing of facilities and plaques submitted by staff did not include any Hispanic women. Ms. Espinosa recited the testimony given in 1980 before the President's Advisory Commission on Women in which an educator asked how much longer must woman fight to secure their rights, how much longer must we teach children that only pale males are important people in history of America. She stated that she viewed this marker as a small step to bring equality to the women of our country. She respectfully urged the Commission to consider this request.

Jean Kortum, President of the Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board, explained that her Board was involved in this process by virtue of its relationship with the State Office of Historic Preservation. She stated the Landmarks Board voted unanimously to place this plaque at this site. She was sympathetic to the Commission's efforts to keep the parks from becoming cluttered. She stated that from a historical standpoint there is no question that Ms. Briones is associated with the Washington Square area and that all early accounts reflect that she grew vegetables and raised cattle on Washington Square. She further explained that in the early days land titles in San Francisco were extremely confusing and were only settled by an Act of Congress in 1872. She noted that to her knowledge the City has not mentioned or honored the Mexican heritage in this City. Juana Briones was a woman in her own right. She urged the Commission to make an exception to the policy and allow placement of this plaque.

Randolph Delehanty, a professional historian, with degrees from Georgetown University, University of Chicago, and Harvard University, and a teacher of San Francisco History at San Francisco State, submitted a letter in opposition to the placing of a plaque in Washington Square. He outlined his reasoning explaining that Section 9 of the Naming of Facilities policy states that a memorial shall be erected on park lands "only to commemorate a person or persons who have made major, overriding contributions...". The commission policy also states that it "...strongly discourages the placement of any additional monuments in San Francisco's older, more crowded public squares." He noted that Washington Square already contains three monuments and another one would overload the park. He stated that the long established Commission policy states that "...where a memorial will add to the ongoing maintenance costs of the Department, a suitably sized endowment must be received by the Department to offset the increased maintenance costs". Based on the policy established by the Commission and the landscape preservation, he advised the Commission to affirm the decision made by the Parks and Planning Committee and to deny this request for another monument in Washington Square.

June Fraps, representing Telegraph Hill Dwellers, supported the Women's Heritage Museum's request as well as the Commission's efforts to keep Washington Square from looking like a graveyard. She thought this plaque would be an attractive monument which would fit in to the park.

5. WASHINGTON SQUARE
PLACEMENT OF PLAQUE HONORING JUANA BRIONES (Continued)

Ralph Hurtado, explained that he has become involved in outdoor education for children, teaching them ecology and history. He noted that teaching children comes at very strange moments and that, often, a plaque will open up a conversation, and thus, an educational experience. He has encountered such a teaching opportunity at Point Benito Lighthouse. He stated that the policy should take into account history.

President Eickman explained that the Parks and Planning Committee denied the request to place a plaque at Washington Square and that the Women's Heritage Museum has appealed that decision.

Commissioner Ruiz explained that he shared staff's concern regarding the number of plaques placed in Recreation and Park's facilities. He also stated that he heard a very strong sentiment, which he agreed with, that the City has failed to acknowledge the fact that there was a Hispanic woman who made a significant contribution to the City and County of San Francisco. The Commission had the opportunity to give this long overdue recognition and at the same time provide a role model for our young people. He thought that as schools take children on outings this plaque will offer a historical perspective.

Commissioner Ruiz asked if the Commission were to override the decision of the Parks and Planning Committee would that set aside the policy completely or would it allow the Commission the opportunity to make an amendment to that policy.

President Eickman explained that if the Committee's decision were overruled it would not nullify the policy but the policy would no longer be enforceable because it would be difficult to turn down the next request.

Commissioner O'Connor stated that she noticed that no Hispanic women have been honored. She felt that although the Naming of Facilities Policy was excellent, exceptions should be made. She thought there was a historical connection to this park. She also stated that a park was named after Sergeant Macauley and he had no relationship to that park.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that issue was one of the reasons the policy was revised.

Commissioner O'Connor made a motion to overrule the decision made by the Parks and Planning Committee; Commissioner Ruiz seconded this motion.

Commissioner Guggenhime noted that this issue is clearly a matter of interpretation of the policy. He read the adopted policy and said his interpretation of the policy did not justify the placement of a plaque in Washington Square. He felt Ms. Brinoes should be recognized by something other than a plaque and that in view of the policy, he had not been convinced that the connection of the park to Ms. Briones justified the placing of the plaque in Washington Square.

Commissioner McAteer stated that she remembered visiting the North Beach Museum and did not recall any reference to Juana Briones. She felt this particular museum could more properly offer the recognition worthy of Ms. Briones.

5. WASHINGTON SQUARE
PLACEMENT OF PLAQUE HONORING JUANA BRIONES (Continued)

Commissioner Harris explained that he had ruled on these types of requests before and every time one is inclined to grant the request. He stated that the adopted policy should be followed.

Commissioner Mori stated he supported the Naming of Facilities Policy as it set guidelines and offered discretion for individuals or groups. He was not in favor of changing the policy but wanted to see this matter reconsidered. He stated that based on the contributions made by Ms. Briones and the different points of view raised, this matter should be reanalyzed.

President Eickman noted that Ms. Briones has been recognized in Palo Alto. He stated that the City has recognized its Mexican heritage with Mission Dolores and Mission Dolores Park. Potrero del Sol was a renamed Recreation and Park facility. He felt the policy should be followed and that every group urges that one exception be made.

Commissioner Ruiz withdrew his second to Commissioner O'Connor's motion. He then made a motion that this matter be referred back to the Parks and Planning Committee for further review, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor.

Commissioner Guggenhime felt that if the matter was sent back to Committee it would simply prolong the issue. He further explained that based upon the policy he was unwilling to change his vote.

Commissioner Ruiz then amended his motion to send the matter back to Committee and to review the Naming of Facilities Policy; Commissioner O'Connor seconded this motion.

The motion to send this matter back to the Parks and Planning Committee and to review the Naming of Facilities Policy failed to pass by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer

Commissioner Mori felt that the policy did not need to be reviewed and that the matter should be referred back to committee for further discussion.

Commissioner Ruiz felt that inequities have been made through the years and that there was an opportunity to rectify them. He stated that it was a question of preserving history.

Commissioner Mori made a motion to overrule the decision of the Parks and Planning Committee which was seconded by Commissioner Ruiz.

The motion to overrule the decision of the Parks and Planning Committee failed to pass by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer

6. ELK GLEN LAKE/McCOPPIN SQUARE/HERZ PLAYGROUND
U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
MONITOR WELLS

Approval of the request of the U.S. Geological Survey to place monitor wells at the following park locations: Northeast side of Elk Glen Lake, McCoppin Square, and Herz Playground.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained that this item is a request from the United States Geological Survey to place monitor wells at three park locations to ascertain the condition of the underground water usage. The long term study will give the City the ability to make better use of well water, thereby using less domestic water.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15393

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the U.S. Geological Survey to place monitor wells at the following park locations: Northeast side of Elk Glen Lake, McCoppin Square, and Herz Playground.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

7. SAN FRANCISCO FLOWER SHOW
SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY FAIR BUILDING
TENTING

Approval of the request of the San Francisco Flower Show, Inc. to tent the San Francisco County Fair Building in conjunction with the San Francisco Flower Show on August 25, 26, 27, 1989.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained this item is a request to tent part of the San Francisco County Fair Building in conjunction with the annual Flower Show event held at this building. He also suggested that in the future this matter be handled administratively.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15394

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the San Francisco Flower Show, Inc. to tent the San Francisco County Fair Building in conjunction with the San Francisco Flower Show on August 25, 26, 27, 1989.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby authorizes staff to handle the administrative functions of tenting in the future.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

8. SAN FRANCISCO FLOWER SHOW
ARBORETUM

Approval to close a portion of the Strybing Arboretum & Botanical Gardens for the duration of the San Francisco County Fair and Flower Show to be held on August 25, 26, 27, 1989.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained that this item is a request to close a portion of the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens during the course of the San Francisco Flower Show. The area to be closed encompasses the demonstration garden area at the Arboretum and he recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15395

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to close a portion of the Strybing Arboretum & Botanical Gardens for the duration of the San Francisco County Fair and Flower Show to be held on August 25, 26, 27, 1989.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

9. CANDLESTICK PARK
SONY SCOREBOARD AGREEMENT
FIELD LEVEL SIGNS

Approval to provide that the repair and replacement of field level signs at Candlestick Park shall be defined as a maintenance expense under the terms and conditions of the Sony Scoreboard Agreement.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item relates to the Jumbotron Scoreboard operation agreement. This request asks the Commission to view the repairs and replacement of field level signs at Candlestick Park as an allowable maintenance cost under the terms of the Sony Scoreboard Agreement. There have been some ongoing problems with vandalism and maintenance of the field level signs and Sony has agreed to allow such repairs as an annual maintenance cost under the terms of the agreement.

In response to Commissioner Mori's question regarding the cost of repairs to these signs, Mr. Lind explained that the cost was in the range of $9,000.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15396

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to provide that the repair and replacement of field level signs at Candlestick Park shall be defined as a maintenance expense under the terms and conditions of the Sony Scoreboard Agreement.

ACTION: Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

10. CANDLESTICK PARK
SONY SCOREBOARD AGREEMENT
ADVERTISING PANEL

Approval of an expenditure in the amount of $20,000 for an advertising panel as an allowable expense under the terms and conditions of the Sony Scoreboard Agreement.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item relates to the installation of an advertising panel for "Union Oil" that is located between the National and American League out-of-town scoreboards. At the request of the Giants, Sony installed a new out-of-town scoreboard at its expense. Later, Sony added structural steel between the out-of-town scoreboards making it an advertising panel, and sold the advertising rights for five years to Union Oil. The Department receives revenue for this advertising contract. Sony then reported the cost of building that advertising panel as a maintenance cost under the terms of the agreement.

Department staff, the City Attorney and Sony entered into discussions to decide whether this was an allowable maintenance expense and an agreement has been reached which will give the Department additional revenue to offset the cost of constructing the advertising panel.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15397

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an expenditure in the amount of $20,000 for an advertising panel as an allowable expense under the terms and conditions of the Sony Scoreboard Agreement.

ACTION: Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

2:25 p.m. Commissioner Ruiz arrived at the meeting.

11. CANDLESTICK PARK
PHASE V RENOVATION PROJECT

Approval of the Phase V program of the Candlestick Park renovation project.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained this item is approval of the Phase V renovation budget at Candlestick Park. This $3.5 Million project for next fiscal year will add 710 new seats in the centerfield grandstand area and additional new suites along the right field line. Mr. Lind has met with the 49ers and the architect in developing this ongoing plan.

The funding for the Phase V program is derived from the Candlestick Park Fund although there was a $500,000 shortfall for the Phase V program. The 49ers met with the Mayor who agreed to loan the Candlestick Park Fund $500,000 from the General Fund with the understanding that the Candlestick Fund would pay back the General Fund in subsequent years.

11. CANDLESTICK PARK
PHASE V RENOVATION PROJECT (Continued)

There are seven phases to the Candlestick Park program although the Department has already entered into discussions with the 49ers about additional work that needs to be done in the stadium.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15398

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Phase V program of the Candlestick Park renovation project.

3:45 to 3:50 p.m. Commissioner Mori was absent from the meeting.

12. HAMILTON RECREATION CENTER
TEEN PROGRAMS

Approval to convert a portion of Hamilton Recreation Center to emphasize teen programming.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item is conceptual approval to create and provide a unique teen program in the Recreation Division. The Recreation Division plans to devote a substantial portion of a recreation center for teen activities. A teen coordinator position would be responsible for developing and implementing programs throughout the City for teenagers. It was his intent to make Hamilton Recreation Center the hub of this teen activity because of its location, the amenities at the facility and the lack of gang activity at the Center. The program will offer teen activities City wide at other recreation facilities but to make Hamilton Recreation Center the hub of this teen activity because of its location, the amenities at the facility and the "no turf" at the Center.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15399

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to convert a portion of Hamilton Recreation Center to emphasize teen programming.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Mori

13. NURSERY SCHOOLS
ANNUAL LEASE RENEWALS

Approval of annual lease renewals and monthly rental fee for nursery schools effective July 1, 1989.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained this item was approved by the Finance and Administration Committee. There are four private nursery schools located at Recreation and Park Department facilities. Originally staff proposed a $50.00 a month increase for each of the schools. Two of schools felt this increase was too high but were willing to pay a 10% increase in its monthly rental fee.

Ruth Nomura, representing the Glenridge Nursery School, who uses Glen Canyon, thanked the Commission for letting them use this Recreation and Park facility.

Commissioner Harris felt that the revenue generated to the Department was so minimal that perhaps there should be no increase. He felt that since nursery schools are so vital that if they did not give the Department a significant amount of money, perhaps fees should be waived.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that funding is set aside to renovate this particular facility.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15400

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the annual lease renewals and monthly rental fee for nursery schools effective July 1, 1989:

School	Current Fee	Approved Fee
Glenridge	$325	$357.50
Rainbow Plus	$325	$357.50
Rocky Mountain	$285	$313.50
Haight Ashbury	$285	$313.50

3:50 to 3:55 p.m. Commissioner Guggenhime was absent from the meeting.

14. GOLDEN GATE PARK
A'LA CARTE A'LA PARK
PERMIT FEE

Approval of the permit fee for 1989 A'La Carte A'La Park to be held in Golden Gate Park.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle stated this item is the permit fee for the A'La Carte A'La Park event. Staff is proposing a permit fee of 25% of the gross admissions. He stated that the event promoter's estimate is that the the Department will receive close to $40,000. Last year the Department was paid $20,000.

14. GOLDEN GATE PARK
A'LA CARTE A'LA PARK
PERMIT FEE (Continued)

In response to Commissioner Harris' query, Mr. Prindle explained that the admissions are monitored by staff to ensure that proper audit controls are in place.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15401

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a permit fee of 25% of gross admissions versus a minimum guarantee of $10,000 for 1989 A'La Carte A'La Park to be held in Golden Gate Park.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime

15. PORTSMOUTH SQUARE
APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE

Approval of an expenditure in the amount of $1,965,405 from surplus funds of the Portsmouth Plaza Parking Corporation to make improvements to Portsmouth Garage and Square.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this item is the final approval of the expenditures to renovate Portsmouth Square. This item is approval of the actual expenditure from the surplus funds held by the non-profit corporation which operates the Portsmouth Square Garage.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15402

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves expenditure in the amount of $1,965,405 from surplus funds of the Portsmouth Plaza Parking Corporation to make improvements to Portsmouth Garage and Square.

16. GOLDEN GATE PARK
STOW LAKE CORPORATION
REVISED FEES AND CHARGES

Approval of the revised fees and charges at Stow Lake, effective July 1, 1989.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained this item is approval to increase the price of food and beverage items at Stow Lake. The food and beverage rates proposed by the concessionaire are the same rates charged at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens. The last price increase was granted three years ago. During the course of negotiations, staff asked the concessionaire to offer a hot and cold drink under $1.00, which he has agreed to do.

In response to Commissioner Ruiz's question regarding revenue for the Department, Ms. Scanlan explained that the Department receives 17.5% of gross revenues on food and beverage sales.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15403

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following revised fees and charges for food and beverages at Stow Lake, effective July 1, 1989:

Item	Size	Current Price	Approved Price
Hot Dog	8 to lb.	1.35	1.60
Coke & Other Soft Drinks	12 oz.	new size	1.25
Popcorn	1-1/4 ounce	1.00	1.25
Peanuts	2 ounce	.80	1.00
Pink Popcorn	1-1/4 ounce	.80	1.00
Coffee	10 ounce	new size	1.00
Coffee	8 ounce	.60	.75
Tea	10 ounce	new size	1.00
Icee	14 ounce	.95	1.10
Hot chocolate	8 ounce	.65	.75
Iced Tea	16 ounce	new item	1.50
Hot Soup	10 ounce	new size	1.00
Eskimo Pie	3 ounce	.75	1.00
Chocolate Malt	12 ounce	1.00	1.25
Yogurt	3 ounce	.80	1.00
Spiced Cider	10 ounce	new size	1.00
Potato Chips (reg.)	7/8 ounce	.50	.60
Pink Lemonade	8 ounce	new item	.75

16. GOLDEN GATE PARK
STOW LAKE CORPORATION
REVISED FEES AND CHARGES (Continued)

Ms. Scanlan explained the second portion of this item is an increase in boat rental rates. The concessionaire has not had an increase in rates in three years. Initially, the proposal requested by the concessionaire was an across the board increase of $1.50 an hour for each kind of boat. The rate for the motor boats is heavily subsidized by the rate for the non-power boat because the cost to insure the electric boat is so much greater. In discussions with the Mr. Tilden, the concessionaire, staff requested that he reduce the increase requested for the pedal and row boats so that those boats could be more affordable and place the bulk of the increase request on the motor boat. She further stated that in discussions with Mr. Tilden there was concern about the condition of the premises. Mr. Tilden has agreed to upgrade and improve the facility and the rental boat fleet.

In response to Commissioner Ruiz's question regarding revenue for the Department, Ms. Scanlan explained that the Department receives 23.5% of gross revenues on boat rentals.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following revised fees and charges for boat rentals at Stow Lake, effective July 1, 1989:

RES. NO. 15404

Boat Rentals	Current Rate	Approved Rate
Electric Motor Boat	9.00/hr.	11.00/hr.
Pedal Boat	7.50/hr.	8.50/hr.
Row Boat	7.50/hr.	8.00/hr.

Extra passengers over 2 to remain at $.50 each.

Reconfiguration of rental boat requirement

Ms. Scanlan explained that Mr. Tilden has made a request to reconfigure the fleet. The current configuration is 22 electric boats, 25 row boats and 10 pedal boats, with a total capacity of 222 passengers. Mr. Tilden feels that because the electric boats are difficult to maintain, coupled with the fact that the demand is much higher for pedal boats, that he should retire less than half of the power boats, from 22 to 12. His intention is to replace the motor boats with pedal and row boats, maintaining the current level of passenger capacity. The electric boats to be retired will be those in the worst condition.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15405

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the reconfiguration of the rental fleet at at Stow Lake, effective July 1, 1989. The concessionaire may retire up to 10 of the electric boats and replace them with new pedal and row boats, maintaining a passenger capacity of 222.

17. SHARON ARTS STUDIO/HARVEY MILK RECREATIONAL ARTS BUILDING
APPROVAL OF RENTAL RATES

Approval of the rental rates for the Sharon Arts Studio and Harvey Milk Recreational Arts Building, effective July 1, 1989.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item is approval to institute rental rates at the Sharon Arts Studio and Harvey Milk Recreational Arts Building on Friday night, Saturday night and Sunday afternoon or evening. He enumerated the proposed rental rates.

Commissioner Ruiz asked if staff has considered a lower rental rate for non-profit organizations.

Mr. Robinson explained that because both of these facilities are considered premium rental facilities, a lowered rate for non-profit organizations had not been developed. He further explained that if a non-profit group was interested in renting a facility he would direct them to a facility that charged a lower rental rate. He pointed out that rental of these facilities is being done to generate revenue for the Department.

A discussion ensued regarding developing a fee for non-profit organizations and the difficulty in administering a two-tiered rental rate system. Commissioner Ruiz felt that it was the Commission's prerogative to institute a fee for non-profit organizations and that Department staff should administer the two-tiered rental rate system.

Donna Figone, Vice President of the Arts and Crafts Advisory Committee, had several concerns about the rental of the Sharon Arts Studio. She asked what specific area was contemplated for rental, if there would be a capacity limit, and the insurance and security deposit requirements to be imposed on those renting the facility. She felt that the proposed rental rate did not reflect the fair market rate and was too low. She thought that perhaps this item should be referred back to Committee for further review.

Mr. Robinson explained that the Recreation Division made an effort to keep the fee at a reasonable level so that the facility could be made available to the cross section of the people of the City. He noted that staff encounters problems with a non-profit rate because is is very easy for someone to associate themselves with a non-profit organization and receive the lower rate.

Commissioner O'Connor noted that at one time the Commission approved a fee structure that was too high and resulted in very little usage by the public.

Commissioner Ruiz stated that it would be very difficult for a non-profit group to obtain a certificate of insurance, naming the City and County of San Francisco, without being a legitimate non-profit organization. He further noted that the proposed rental fee is high for non-profit groups when you consider the additional costs of providing a certificate of insurance, security requirements, etc.

17. SHARON ARTS STUDIO/HARVEY MILK RECREATIONAL ARTS BUILDING
APPROVAL OF RENTAL RATES (Continued)

President Eickman reiterated the point that in March the Commission passed a budget that included a revenue generation component to institute a rental rate at the Sharon Arts Studio and Harvey Milk Recreation Center.

Commissioner Mori supported Commissioner Ruiz's thoughts and stated that consideration should be given to offer a lower rate for non-profit organizations.

Commissioner Guggenhime suggested that the fees be approved to 12/31/89 and during this period examine the usage of the facility to ascertain if the rates could be raised and also during that period develop a rate for use by a non-profit organizations.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15406

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following rental rates for the Sharon Arts Studio and Harvey Milk Recreational Arts Building, effective July 1, 1989:

Sharon Arts Studio	Rental Rates
Base fee 5 hours	$250
Additional Hour	$ 45
Harvey Milk Recreational Arts Building	
Main Floor	$160 (5 hours)
Additional hour	$35
Music Room - Main Floor	$30 per hour
Photo Center - Small Auditorium	$30 per hour

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above rates shall be effective to 12/31/89, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that staff shall develop a rental rate for non-profit organizations for use of Sharon Arts Studio and Harvey Milk Recreational Arts Building.

4:20 to 4:23 p.m. Commissioner O'Connor was absent from the meeting.

18. CANDLESTICK PARKING LOT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of audit controls for Candlestick Parking lot.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that the Controller's Office conducted an audit in 1985 of the Candlestick Park Parking lot operation. The audit recommended the need for for better controls. The audit recommended: (1) replacement of removable car counters, (2) institution of a ticketing system and (3) a monitoring program. A ticket and monitoring system have been in effect since 1986. A car counter system would cost $250,000 and it is not cost effective to install the system at this time. The Controller's Office agrees with this theory and is not making this a requirement.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15407

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the audit controls for Candlestick Parking lot.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner O'Connor

19. MERCHANDISE CONCESSION
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION

Approval of Request for Qualifications for Merchandise Concession.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this was one of the items conceptually approved by the Commission during the budgetary process in order to generate revenue for the Department. The Department is attempting to remove itself from charging fees and trying to develop new ways to generate revenues. Staff is looking toward a merchandise concession to generate revenue for the Department. He outlined the scope of the merchandise project:

°the creation, development and production of design and logo
°operation of a retail location
°operation of a mobile concession
°sale of merchandise at other locations
°development of licensing agreement
°negotiation and sale of endorsements

The concession is patterned after the "I Love New York" campaign. The item before the Commission today is to approve a "Request for Qualification". This request is to identify team members, asking them to delineate their experience and record, including experience in graphic design, production, merchandise and retail management. The Department does not have sufficient staff to develop this type of program and it is more cost effective to enter into a contractual arrangement. The Department would retain authority over the final design, logo, locations of sale and pricing controls. This program may generate $100,000 to the Department. Staff is asking for a "Request for Qualifications" to ensure qualified people. After this step is completed, staff will enter into a "Request for Proposal".

19. MERCHANDISE CONCESSION
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION (Continued)

General Manager Mary Burns explained that this proposal has been reviewed with James Ho, the Mayor's Deputy for Economic Development and Kent Sims who is head of the Mayor's Economic Development Committee. Both are of the opinion that this is the most logical way to proceed since Department staff does not have the expertise in this area.

Mr. Prindle stated the Commission will have control over the design, logo, pricing and product location. Staff has discussed this concept with representatives of the Asian Art Museum, DeYoung Museum, Academy of Sciences, Japanese Tea Garden, Friends of Recreation and Parks, the Conservatory Auxiliary and the Zoo. Mr. Rothenberg of the Conservatory Auxiliary is concerned about this proposal. Mr. Prindle explained that the time line for this project has been lengthened. Most likely it will take most of the year to finalize and enter into a contract.

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse explained that this proposal is not entirely a commercial enterprise. The concessionaire will also offer park information and disseminate Recreation and Park literature.

Michael Rothenberg, representing the Conservatory Auxiliary and the Conservatory Shop, thought this was a great idea to generate revenue to the Department. He was concerned that this venture will be detrimental to his business and lower the profits of the existing Golden Gate Park concessions. He spoke to other park vendors who have similar concerns.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15408

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for Qualifications for Merchandise Concession.

20. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Consideration and approval of settlement proposal offered to Gas House Cove Marina, Inc. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session to discuss this matter with the City Attorney pursuant to Section 54956.9(b) of the California Government Code.)

Note: This item was removed from the calendar.

21. PON & HOM AGREEMENT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of agreement with Pon and Hom, pursuant to Controller's Audit. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

Note: This item was removed from the calendar.

22. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15409

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the the unlitigated claim of Ruth Brenk in the amount of $1697.95.

23. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Randolph Delehanty, a San Francisco/California historian, thanked the Commission Secretary for the use of the Commission Room and the historical records he has recently been reviewing for his project. The purpose of his project is to write a history on San Francisco's parks from 1847 to the 1940s.

24. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15410

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gift valued at $3,500.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

From Gertrude Rosen, through the Strybing Arboretum Society, one memorial water fountain, valued at $3,500.00, for the Strybing Arboretum.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate letter of thanks will be sent to the donor.

25. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman discussed the fact that the Zoo Advisory Committee has voted to ask the Board of Supervisors to extend the time frame of the Committee to 11/15/89.

President Eickman explained that Commissioner Ruiz has agreed to serve on the recently formed Joint Commission Task Force comprised of members from the Health Commission, Social Services Commission, Housing Commission, Commission on Aging and Recreation and Park Commission. A public hearing was recently held to discuss crack cocaine problem and the programs implemented to address this issue.

26. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of June 1, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of June 1, 1989
Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee Meeting of June 2, 1989
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of June 7, 1989

27. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Willie Guydon, a custodian at Garfield Pool for many years, who recently passed away.

There being no further business, the 636th Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, July 18, 1989 - 2:30 p.m.

The Special meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Tuesday, July 18, 1989, at 2:30 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:45 p.m.)
Absent:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor

2. CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
EXTENSION OF PERMIT

Approval of the request of the San Francisco Police Activities League to extend the permit for the use of Civic Center Plaza for the Emperor Norton Days Event from July 16, 1989 to Sunday, July 23, 1989.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained that a request has been received to extend the permit (Resolution #15368, 5/18/89) granted to the Police Athletics League for use of the Civic Center Plaza (from the original termination date of 7/16/89) to Sunday midnight, July 23, 1989. Mr. Robinson distributed copies of the original permit for July 13-16, 1989 to the Commission and recommended extending the permit provided that all of the mechanical rides are removed from Civic Center Plaza and onto the street area since it is a violation of the Permit policy to have mechanical/amusement rides on park property. Mr. Robinson explained that he had just inspected Civic Center Plaza where the rides are in the process of being removed.

2. CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
EXTENSION OF PERMIT (Continued)

General Manager Mary Burns explained that Recreation and Park worked for years to prohibit mechanical rides on park property because of the severe damage that occurred in Portsmouth Square, Washington Square and other park properties. She stated that this is the first time that the prohibition of mechanical rides section of the policy has been violated and noted that the permittee was informed that doing so was against Commission policy. She further explained that it is particularly troublesome that this violation occurred at Civic Center Plaza because of its tremendous subsidence problems. Several years ago the Department of Public Works notified the Department not to place major weight on the Plaza. She stated that the semi trucks and mechanical rides may have caused permanent damage to the Plaza and could have cracked the membrane. Despite the lack of cooperation demonstrated by the permittee, staff recommended extension of the permit contingent on removal of the heavy equipment from the Plaza.

Commissioner Mori asked if the insurance provided by the Police Activities League covered any possible damage to the Plaza.

Mr. Robinson explained that the Police Activities League had a $2 Million insurance policy which should cover any damage to the Plaza.

Ms. Burns suggested that staff verify that the insurance policy covers any damage to the Plaza. She further noted that Department is about to award a $1.2 Million contract to address the subsidence problem in the fountain area of the Plaza.

President Eickman asked why the Police Activities League violated the terms of the permit.

Ron Exley, representing the Police Activities League, explained that there was miscommunication and that although the permit did not allow rides on the Plaza the Fire Department informed him that the rides would have to be moved off the street. He stated that he was unaware that the mechanical rides had been placed on the Plaza because he was working with other pressing issues connected with the event, namely the homeless people residing in the Plaza.

Ron Hassett, representing Davis-Hasset, explained that he was unaware that he had violated the permit and that his firm in the process of removing the rides from the Plaza. It took 2-1/2 days to set up the rides and it was too late to dismantle the rides when he became aware of the violation.

Ms. Burns explained that the semi trucks which were on the Plaza exceed the load limit capacity given by the Department of Public Works.

President Eickman explained that if the rides had not been removed he was prepared to deny the request to extend the permit. He told Mr. Exley that he expected him to be responsible and was concerned that placement of the rides had set a precedent.

2. CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
EXTENSION OF PERMIT (Continued)

Commissioner Mori made a motion to extend the permit provided that verification is made that the Police Activities League's insurance covers any possible damage to the Plaza and that the mechanical rides shall be removed no later than Wednesday, 7/19/89, in conformance with existing Commission policy. Commissioner McAteer seconded this motion.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that he was uncertain as to the extent of coverage contained in the present insurance policy.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan wondered if there was a statute on the length of their insurance policy and if a bond should be required to see if any structural damage had occurred because of placement of rides on the Plaza.

Commissioner Guggenhime suggested that in addition to the present insurance policy that the Police Activities League attempt to get additional insurance to cover any structural damage. He further stated that he did not want the extension of the permit to be contingent on the Police Activities League obtaining additional insurance coverage.

Commissioner Ruiz asked Mr. Exley if the Police Activities League's objective to train 100 residents of the Civic Center Plaza in the carnival industry was feasible.

Mr. Exley explained that 12 residents of Civic Center Plaza have now been assigned to a carnival event in Vallejo and that most of the transients have been delighted at the prospect of working in carnival circuit. The carnival industry is experiencing a lull and recruitment has been quite successful with the homeless. He further stated that he has two liaisons who screen the residents of Civic Center Plaza.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15411

RESOLVED, That this Commission extends the permit for use of Civic Center Plaza for the Emperor Norton Days Event to Sunday, July 23, 1989, provided that all mechanical rides are removed from the Civic Center Plaza no later than Wednesday, 7/19/89, in conformance with the Permit and Reservations Policy and that the San Francisco Police Activities League's insurance shall cover any property damage that may have occurred to the Plaza as a result of placement of said mechanical rides on the Plaza.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was received.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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637TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-Seventh Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, July 20, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:15 p.m.)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Ruiz requested that the June 15, 1989 minutes be amended to include the report he gave under the President's Report. Accordingly, the Commission Secretary amended the minutes to read:

"Commissioner Ruiz explained that he attended the Joint Commission's Task Force public hearing recently held to discuss the crack cocaine problem and the programs implemented to address this issue. He commented that he was most impressed with the presentation made by General Manager Mary Burns at this particular meeting."

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 15, 1989 were approved as amended.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary Burns submitted the following report:

"NORTH LAKE

Frank Bezak, Chief Engineer, recently reported that the seepage at North Lake had accelerated to a loss of approximately 400,000 gallons of water a day. As a result of this alarming report, it became evident that our present water capacity to keep this and other lakes in the park filled and continue our regular irrigation program this summer was not possible. While the Department is still in the design stage of determining the solution to the problem, a wildlife relocation program has begun in which the fish and amphibians are being relocated to other lakes in the park. The Academy of Sciences and the San Francisco Conservation Corps have been most helpful with this project, and so far 600 fish have been removed from the lake. Wild birds are no longer nesting there, and for this reason, it is an ideal time to undertake this project. Our best estimate is that it will take approximately 4 months to complete this project.

NAMING OF BABY KOALA

In honor of the Zoo's 60th Birthday, Assemblywoman Jackie Spier presented a resolution commending the Zoo for its commitment to conservation, education and research. At that event our first new-born koala received its official name, "Tjuringa," which is an aborigine word signifying the spiritual creation of life. Over 15,000 names were submitted for the koala naming contest.

Attendance of 14,000 was recorded for the weekend birthday celebration. Other attendance figures show that visitors to the Zoo for the first 6 months of 1989 totaled 572,254, and revenue generated was $1,225,257. Last year's totals for the same period were: attendance 571,765 and revenue $994,591.

PROPOSITION 70 BOND ACT

Through the efforts of the Mayor's Office, and particularly its Legislative Advocate, Hellan Roth Dowden, San Franciscans will now receive their fair share of Proposition 70 Bond Act monies as well as all future Park Bond Acts (such as the one proposed for 1990). Because of San Francisco's unique status as the only City and County in the State, we had been receiving funding under only one category, while the per capita allocation to residents of other cities was based on both their city and county residency. Under Proposition 70, alone, this will generate an additional $2 million increase.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

A video public service announcement is being produced by the Public Relations Office on the Afterschool and Latchkey programs. The project is funded by a grant from the Municipal Cable Advisory Panel and will feature Sherry Agnos as spokesperson. The public service announcement will be aired on cable and broadcast television in the Fall. Filming will begin Monday, July 24th.

MERCHANDISE CONCESSION

I am delighted to report on the outstanding response the Department received from the business community on our merchandise concession package. The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was published on June 19, supported by a mailing to some 1,500 businesses in related fields. Notification was also published in the Chronicle, L.A. Times, Wall Street Journal and numerous trade publications. Local and minority community media were also notified of the availability of this business opportunity. The Finance Division staff has been swamped with inquiries about the concession package, and so far, over 200 RFQ packages have been distributed. About 60 prospective bidders attended the prebid conference held on July 10th at the County Fair Building. The deadline for responses to the RFQ is July 31st and we are hoping for a good number from interested and qualified bidders.

CAMP MATHER

For a number of years, the Department has increasingly encountered problems with non-registered visitors overusing our facilities at Camp Mather. The week of August 12 - 19 has been selected as the trial week for a wristband identification program, much like the one used with great success by the Strawberry Bluegrass Festival. The plastic, non-removable wristbands would be color-coded for each of the 10 weeks. Camp staff would wear wristbands of another color. Those individuals not wearing the bands would stand out and staff will develop a policy on how to deal with them. Barney Barron will be in attendance during this trial week. A special user's survey will be given to the guests to allow them to evaluate this program. Guests registered for this trial week have received a letter explaining Mather's problem and the Department's proposed solution. It is hoped that the increased availability of Camp facilities to paying guests will demonstrate to staff and guests the value of the program.

NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM

The process of installing a new telephone system for the Department began on Tuesday, July 18, when our city-wide facilities (playgrounds, parks, swimming pools) received new telephone numbers. Tomorrow, conversion will take place at McLaren Lodge, Kezar Office, the Corporation Yard and Sharon Arts Building. Naturally, it will take time before the system is running smoothly, and it is hoped that during the change-over there will be as little inconvenience to staff and public as possible.

Your Commission Secretary has provided you with a new list of phone numbers for the Department.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

FRIENDS FIELD DAY

The annual Friends of Recreation and Parks Field Day is scheduled for Friday, August 4, 1989, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Sharon Meadow. Staff expects this year's event to be a tremendous success. Participants and activities will include Make-A-Circus, clowns, jugglers, crafts for kids and much more. As in the past, this event is made possible by a generous grant from the Friends of Recreation and Parks, and it has become the premier event for the Recreation Division. Last year 4,500 youngsters attended and had a great time. This year requests are already coming in and we expect a record turnout. If at all possible, I encourage each of you to attend.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, August 2, 1989	Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, August 3, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, August 3, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, August 9, 1989	Recreation Program Committee 3:30 p.m., Randall Museum
Monday, August 14, 1989	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:00 p.m. S.F. Zoo"

Ms. Burns further explained that she and President Eickman had just returned from visiting Civic Center Plaza and found that most of the debris and clutter had been removed from the Plaza. She noted that there was a marked improvement in the appearance of the Plaza.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

President Eickman advised the Commission that Item 4K (Randall Museum) had been removed from the Consent Calendar.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15412

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period June 1, 1989 through July 5, 1989.

b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15413

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Alan Kneitel	$358.42
Celia Rifkin	252.64

c. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS OVER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15414

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the following litigated & unlitigated claims:

Wm. Johnson	$572.60
Anthony Morotto	$527.46
Peter Pennypacker	$739.40
Salvadore Ricca	$599.85

d. SAN FRANCISCO MARATHON PERMIT FEE — RES. NO. 15415

WHEREAS, the Bay Area Sports Organizing Committee has applied for a permit to produce the 1989 City of San Francisco Marathon on Sunday, July 9, 1989; and

WHEREAS, portions of the proposed Marathon course are in Golden Gate Park and the proposed Marathon finish line and awards ceremony will be held in the Polo Field in Golden Gate Park, therefore be it

RESOLVED that this Commission at its meeting of July 20, 1989 has ratified an event permit fee of $2,000 for the 1989 City of San Francisco Marathon.

e. SAN FRANCISCO GOLF ENTERPRISES LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT — RES. NO. 15416

WHEREAS the Lease between the Recreation and Park Department and San Francisco Golf Enterprises does not clearly state what percentage rate is to be used to determine the Lessor's share of golf cart rentals; and

WHEREAS, Lessor and Lessee have agreed to amend the Lease to clarify the intent of this provision; and

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued) RES. NO. 15416 (Continued)

e. SAN FRANCISCO GOLF ENTERPRISES
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT (Continued)

WHEREAS, the Internal Audits Division of the San Francisco Controller's Office has recommended that the amount of percentage rent due for the period November 1, 1983 through December 31, 1989, including interest accrued thereon, is $2,538; and

WHEREAS, the parties hereto have agreed to reasonable settlement of this matter, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the First Amendment to the McLaren Park Golf Course Lease and the Settlement Agreement between Erik de Lambert doing business as San Francisco Golf Enterprises and the Recreation and Park Department on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco.

f. KEZAR PARKING LOT RES. NO. 15417
RECISION OF LEASE AMENDMENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission revokes the dual provisions of the Lease Amendment set forth in Resolution 14837, which included both reconfiguration of Kezar Lot and a ceiling of 109 neighborhood permits, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission affirms that there shall be one hundred and nine (109) neighborhood permits for Kezar Parking Lot.

g. SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY FAIR FLOWER SHOW RES. NO. 15418
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the supplemental appropriation in the amount of $41,100 for San Francisco County Fair-Flower Show.

h. LAKE MERCED RES. NO. 15419
LAKE MERCED RESTAURANT
ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the assignment of the Lake Merced Boathouse Bar and Restaurant Lease from Mirage Investments, Inc to Row, Row, Row Your Boat, Inc.

i. GOLDEN GATE PARK RES. NO. 15420
TRAFFIC RECONFIGURATION

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves Approval of permitting two-way traffic and expansion of No Parking Zone on portion of Arguello Boulevard on temporary basis.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

j. SIGMUND STERN GROVE/LAKE MERCED RIDGE TRAILS SIGNAGE — RES. NO. 15421

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves installation of ridge trail signage at Sigmund Stern Grove and Lake Merced.

k. RANDALL MUSEUM
MASTER PLAN

Final approval of the Randall Museum Master Plan.

ACTION: Item 4K was removed from the calendar.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SHARP PARK
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE

Discussion and recommendation to close the Sharp Park Rifle Range.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that Recreation and Park Department staff has spent much time reviewing the Sharp Park Rifle Range. The range has been in existence for 37 years and offers a supervised area for use of rifles, including those in the 30 plus caliber range, hand guns and shot guns. In addition to providing a practice area for the general public, the range was used as a practice range for the Pacifica and San Francisco Police Departments. The range has approximately 25,000 visitations per year, 50% of which are San Mateo residents. The range has operated generally free of complaints and accidents until June 6, 1988, when a Pacifica resident reported expended shells near her home. On June 8, 1988, the Department received a letter from the Pacifica Director of Public Safety advising the Department that other rounds had been found in the same general area and that the rounds could have come from the Sharp Park Rifle Range. It was Ms. Burns' belief that the staff at the range had been very diligent in its supervision of the facility and that all rules were followed when they were on site. It was possible that people had come onto the range after it was closed and were firing in unsafe methods. In looking at where the rounds were found and the fact that the Sharp Park roadway is closer to the range, the Department closed the range until the safety issues raised had been addressed.

Staff conducted an investigation, including consultation with the Pacifica and San Francisco Police Departments, the National Rifle Association (NRA), and Jim Lucey from the Department's Structural Maintenance Division, to obtain advice on how to make the range safe. A capital improvement plan, costing between $500,000 to $1 Million was recommended by the NRA and Mr. Lucey.

Another factor in considering the future operation of the range is that two nearby sites are zoned for development and one is in the planning stage which are in close proximity to the range. These future developments could be impacted by the range. Some experts advised that in order to make the range 100% safe that the range would have to be enclosed.

5. SHARP PARK
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE (Continued)

Senator Quentin Kopp's office contacted the Department on behalf of the people who use the range and identified a potential source of funds through the Department of Fish and Game. Funding through this agency appears unlikely because of the number of competing applications coupled with the fact that the agency has never funded anything in this dollar range.

Members of the Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club expressed an interest in developing a plan to operate the range. The City of Pacifica has also expressed an interest in the range and suggested that the Department contract with them. The City of Pacifica would then in turn enter into a contract with an operator who would be willing to make the necessary capital improvements. Staff felt that the Department should contract directly with a lessee if such an agreement were desirable.

Ms. Burns stated that although use of the rifle range is a legitimate recreational activity, the safety issue has been raised. The Sharp Park Roadway is located above the range and in the vicinity of potential accidents. Also, a proposed housing development in close proximity to the range raises safety and noise concerns. If a major capital improvement was made to the range, the Department would be committing the area for this particular recreational activity for many years in order to recover the capital costs.

During staff's analysis, it reviewed other possible alternatives for the range. For the reasons previously stated, Ms. Burns recommended that the Department discontinue the use of Sharp Park Rifle Range. She further recommended that a process be put in place to work with the City of Pacifica, golfers and other agencies that have an interest in recreational activities and develop an alternative use for the area.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked the General Manager if her comments applied to both rifle and shotgun use and Ms. Burns stated that her comments applied to both.

Skip Henderson, representing the Brisbane Rod & Gun Club and the Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Association, spoke in opposition to the closing of the range. He felt the staff report contained a number inconsistencies and noted that the range has a record free of complaints or accidents. He stated that the range is being closed because of a complaint that is highly suspect and that the range has been found "guilty" based on circumstantial evidence of rounds found 1 mile north of the site. Mr. Henderson further stated that in the Fall of 1985 he contacted Department staff to become a non-profit concessionaire for the operation of the Sharp Park Rifle Range. Staff never offered him assistance on his proposal. He rebutted a number of statements made in the staff report and requested that the Commission defer a decision for 120 days. During this time period, he asked the Commission to direct staff to negotiate a long term lease that will allow the Brisbane Rod and Gun Club to lease the range as a concessionaire. This club would take the proceeds from that lease and then make improvements to the range. His organization is willing to take steps to form a group entitled "S.H.A.R.P" (The Sharp Park Hunting, Archery, Rifle and Pistol Association), to create and administer a business plan to operate the range in a safe manner consistent with goals of the community and Department.

5. SHARP PARK
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE (Continued)

John C. Dubus, representing Presidio Gun Club, with 100 members, explained that he has been using the range since 1957, and refuted the idea that the roadway, noise and buildings are a San Mateo County problem. He stated that there has not been an accident in 37 years and that the rounds found were questionable and highly suspect. He did not understand why Recreation and Park wanted to close the range since it generated enough revenue to support itself. He noted that there are five golf courses in the nearby area. He also stated that according to the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) relating to the proposed development, noise is not a factor.

E. M. Steen, stated that he found it curious that the range has been operating for 37 years and all of a sudden one day in June rounds are found. He asked the Commission to consider this strange occurrence.

Kevin Tikker, an occasional shooter, refuted some of the statements made. He explained that ranges are not easily accessible. The closest range available for his use is in Chabot which is an hour's drive. He explained that the nice thing about the Sharp Park Rifle Range was that it was convenient and not costly. He further explained that he is also a member of the Photography Center which the Department at one time contemplated closing. Through the efforts of members of the Photography Center and Department staff it remained open. He hoped that a similar sort of compromise could be reached with this matter.

Michael L. Drew, an occasional shooter, used Sharp Park Rifle Range until it was closed and now commutes 1 hour, 15 minutes to go shooting. He refuted a number of allegations made and explained that when he was in high school he was aware of classmates who shot guns illegally in the area around the Sharp Park hillside. He stated that in all likelihood the rounds found in the house came from illegal shooters. It was his opinion that the noise concern appeared to be directed from a developer who was intent on closing the Sharp Park Rifle Range. He urged the Commission to not capitulate the public's rights to that of a private developer. He urged the Commission to try to reach a compromise on this issue.

Robert E. Grosch, posed one question for the Commission: Where are we going to shoot after you close the range?

Richard H. Bulloch, representing the Pacific Rod and Gun Club, stated that their main concern with this proposal is the reference made to many noise complaints. He felt that any noise complaints relating to the Pacific Rod and Gun Club located at Lake Merced should most likely be directed to the San Francisco Police Pistol Range which is also located at Lake Merced. He explained that the Sharp Park Rifle Range is being proposed to be permanently closed and that he has heard of a proposal to close the Pacific Rod and Gun Club. He was very concerned that shooting facilities are being considered for closure and that the Pacific Rod and Gun Club could be next.

5. SHARP PARK
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE (Continued)

Peter Buxton, representing the Fort Mason Militia, explained that recently a friend obtained a pistol and would not keep it in her home until she had been properly instructed on how to use it. Since Sharp Park Rifle Range was closed they were forced to find another safe shooting area. He suggested that if the Commission was concerned about safety in San Francisco the presence of a facility that is safe and well run, such as Sharp Park, reflects well on the City. He felt there should be a place to be carefully instructed on the use of a firearm, and without Sharp Park Rifle Range one will note an increase in firearm accidents. He stated that Mr. Nelson of the National Rifle Association was of the opinion that the rounds came from some sort of illegal use in the nearby hills. He also stated that Mr. Nelson informed him of an engineering study that will result in a better range and that there is a new field of technology which could drastically reduce the cost of safety baffling and sound signature of the range. He urged the Commission to grant a 120 day postponement.

Vincent O'Shea, stated that perhaps a good use for the Sharp Park Rifle Range would be to turn it into a golf range.

Steve Heminger, representing Senator Quentin L. Kopp, stated that Senator Kopp believes that the staff recommendation to close the range permanently is both unwarranted and premature. He stated that a proposal is being promulgated from a consortium of rifle clubs which proposes to construct the safety improvements and contract with the City to operate the range. He stated that Senator Kopp supports the request to defer action for 120 days so that this proposal can be developed and evaluated with staff. He noted that the range is already closed so that delaying a decision affords the citizens an opportunity to develop a proposal. He explained that the staff report mentions a potential noise problem that might develop at a housing development near the range. He stated that the Mayor of Pacifica commented that the draft Environmental Impact Report states that the range would contribute little to the noise exposure at the site. He felt that the staff report lacked detail and accurate information and urged postponement.

Michael Richoff, addressed the safety aspect of the range, explaining that he has been going to range for over 30 years and in all that time he has never witnessed a muzzle raised above the target line. He stated that the Sharp Park Rifle Range is the most strictly run shooting range in the Bay Area.

Douglas G. Waugh, supported the range, used it for a number of years, and thought it should remain open.

Constantine Karsant, stated that the Commission should keep the range because any alternative use of the property would be redundant of any other recreational use the City already offered. He urged the Commission to find a way to keep the range open.

Robert Martin S. Reyes, spoke in favor of the Sharp Park Rifle Range and was hopeful that it could remain open. Under proper supervision there should be no accidents or safety irregularities. He stated that with regard to the complaints from the residents he thought a thorough investigation should be done. He has been shooting there for 10 years and could not recall any accidents.

5. SHARP PARK
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE (Continued)

President Eickman explained the Commission is concerned about the safety issues, particularly since there is a roadway directly above the range, and the proposed housing development. He reiterated the point that the cost of the capital improvement would necessitate a long term use of this area and that the City lacked a funding source.

Commissioner Harris explained that Mr. Nelson from the National Rifle Association surveyed the area and estimated that a full baffling system would have to be installed at the cost of $500,000 to $1 Million.

Commissioner Guggenhime pointed out the fact that Mayor Fred Howard of Pacifica submitted a letter dated July 17, 1989, which stated that "...the staff report is accurate as to the proposed development for this site. However, the preliminary environmental impact report (EIR), still in draft stages, does not consider noise or adjacency to the range to be a significant factor for this site."

Commissioner O'Connor explained that she is a lieutenant in the Sheriff's Department and at the Department's San Bruno facility where there is a range, numerous complaints regarding noise are received from the neighborhood. She also noted that she plays golf at Harding Golf Course and constantly hears noise from the nearby range. She could not imagine any development near a range that would not have a noise problem.

Commissioner Mori asked what kind of revenue was generated from the range and Ms. Burns explained that the range was self supporting.

Ms. Burns explained that she consulted with both Pacifica and San Francisco Police Departments to look at where the range was situated and where the expended ammunition had been found to see if it was possible to have come from the range. Staff was informed that it was possible for rounds to have been fired from the range. She noted that there is no evidence at this point that it actually came from the range.

Commissioner Mori said this was a land use issue and a long term planning matter. He was not inclined to defer a decision for 120 days as he thought it would be misleading to the public.

Commissioner McAteer asked if the noise level would be reduced if funding was obtained to install a baffling system at the range.

Peter Buxton, one of the speakers, stated that it depends on the type of baffling system used but first one works on safety, then baffling and finally noise signature.

Commissioner McAteer stated that this issue concerns, safety, noise and lack of funding and that if a funding source could be located, a baffling system could be installed.

Ms. Burns stated that this matter is primarily a land use issue and that the Commission needs to center its discussion on whether it wants this recreational activity to continue for many years.

5. SHARP PARK
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE (Continued)

President Eickman stated the Department closed the range over a year ago because of safety concerns. He was in favor of closing the range because he did not want to contemplate another 25-30 years of having a rifle range at Sharp Park. He preferred that the land be added to the Sharp Park Golf Course and thought it a more reasonable use of this land.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15422

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves permanent closure of the Sharp Park Rifle Range, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that staff is directed to work with the community to develop recreational options for this area which may include golf or family recreation. Consideration of the use of the canyon and its relationship to other recreation uses should be analyzed in this study.

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Interim Zoo Director Phil Arnold explained that all of the animal transactions have been done with USDA licensed institutions. He also informed the Commission that the Zoo has now amended its animal move transaction form. The amended form, which must be signed by the animal dealers, guarantees that the dealer will not sell or trade the animal to game ranches or hunting farms, nor use the animal to hunt, shoot or perform research on the animals.

Commissioner McAteer thought that USDA dealers already abide by such rules. Mr. Arnold explained that not all animal dealers adhere to the rules previously mentioned which is why a signed animal move transaction form is now a requirement for any San Francisco Zoological Gardens animal transaction.

Commissioner Harris asked why the Musk Ox was being sold.

Mr. Arnold explained that the Zoo had three males who were not getting along and were concerned about having three males in a herd; hence the sale.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15423

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (which were processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

SOLD TO: Northland Wildlife Inc.
2601 E. Highway 169
Grand Rapids, MN 55744
USDA #41-B-101

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS (Continued) RES. NO. 15423
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

Four (4) male and two (2) female llamas valued at $8,700 and one (1) male and two (2) female Reeve's muntjac valued at $800.00 for the trio. Total purchase price of $9,500.00. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO: Central Park Zoo
830 Fifth Avenue, Arsenal Building
New York, NY 10021
USDA #21=BW

One (1) male and one (1) female Reeve's muntjac valued at $450.00 for the pair. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO: Washington Park Zoo
4001 SW Canyon Road
Portland, OR 97221
USDA #92-C-1

One (1) male Musk Ox valued at $500.00. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

Cancellation of Animal Transaction of 4/20/89 (Res. No. 15338) as follows:

SOLD TO: Tulsa Zoological Garden
5701 E. 36th Street North
Tulsa, OK 74115
USDA #73-E2-3

Two (2) female Llamas valued at $6,000 for the pair. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

7. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
FLEISHHACKER POOL BUILDING
LEASE AGREEMENT

Approval of lease agreement for the San Francisco Police Department to use space within the Fleishhacker Pool building for temporary location of its Employee Assistance Program and Equal Employment Opportunity Unit.

Interim Zoo Director Phil Arnold explained that the Fleishhacker Pool building is slated to become the entrance to the Zoo when the "Zoo 2000" project is completed. The agreement before the Commission provides for the Police Department to operate two of their employee assistance programs from this building on a month-to-month basis subject to the Department's approval of any alterations or additions to the building. He recommended approval of this agreement.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

7. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
FLEISHHACKER POOL BUILDING
LEASE AGREEMENT (Continued)

RES. NO. 15424

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the lease agreement for the San Francisco Police Department to use space within the Fleishhacker Pool building for temporary location of its Employee Assistance Program and Equal Employment Opportunity Unit.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

8. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ZOO ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Approval of resolution requesting Board of Supervisors to extend final date of Zoo Advisory Committee from 7/23/89 to 9/1/89.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Board of Supervisors appointed an advisory committee to study issues at the Zoo. This committee was under mandate by the Board of Supervisors to report its findings within six months. The Zoo Advisory Committee recently voted to ask the Board of Supervisors to extend its life from the current deadline of 7/23/89 to 11/15/89. Ms. Burns strongly felt it was important to have the report concluded and in place prior to the appointment of the new Zoo Director. She stated that it would be very difficult for a new zoo director to manage the Zoo and spend time working with the Zoo Advisory Committee. It was her recommendation that the extension be granted only to 9/15/89.

Sandra Keller, a member of the Zoo Advisory Committee, was upset that the Commission was considering this matter. She explained that the Zoo Advisory Committee has worked long and hard and by a vote of 10 to 4 recommended to ask the Board of Supervisors for an extension in order to do an accurate report. She felt that if the Zoo Advisory Committee felt more time was needed it should be granted. She stated that it would be very helpful if the Commission supported the extension.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15425

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a resolution requesting Board of Supervisors to extend final date of Zoo Advisory Committee from 7/23/89 to 9/15/89.

9. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
REVISED ADMISSION POLICY

Approval of revised admission policy for San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Interim Zoo Phil Arnold Director explained that when he began to manage the Zoo operations he found a number of inconsistencies with the Zoo admission policy and found that it was not consistent with the admission policy approved by the Commission. Accordingly, he has been working with the Zoological Society and Zoo staff to correct the admission policy. Currently, there are a number of ways one can gain admission to the Zoo, some of which were approved by the Commission, others which were not.

Mr. Arnold outlined the proposed admission policy:

- that the two service gates, one on Zoo Road and the other on Sloat Blvd. be controlled
- institute the use of parking stickers for automobiles so that unauthorized vehicles can be towed from the Zoo grounds
- issue an employee identification card to gain admission at the employee entrance at the Zoo.
- provide a number of free admission tickets specifically used for marketing and promotion of the Zoo. The Zoo administration staff would advise the Commission yearly on the accounting and distribution system for these free admission tickets.
- Admission would continue to be free for school groups
- A group rate of $1.00 off the regular admission price would be applied to groups of ten or more. Effective 1/1/90 groups must make their plans at least 24 hours in advance and all arrive at the same time in order to qualify for the group rate.
- Free admission for research projects. The Zoo Director shall have the authority to approve or disapprove research projects and free admission for such research projects.

President Eickman explained that he was in favor of these modifications to the admission policy. He noted that presently the Zoo is very lax in its admission policy and that one can easily gain access to the Zoo since the present admission policy is loose.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15426

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a revised admission policy for San Francisco Zoological Gardens, as follows:

1. The City shall install a control gate at the Zoo Road entrance to the Zoo which shall be designated as the employee entrance. This gate will be staffed during the hours that the gate is unlocked. Staff shall deny entry to anyone who is not employed at the Zoological Gardens. This entrance will be used by all Zoological Gardens employees, including employees of the Zoological Society. The Sloat Blvd. service gate which is now used primarily by the Zoological Society shall be closed. Parking stickers will be issued to anyone authorized to park in Zoo staff parking lots. A sign will be posted at the service entrance stating that vehicles without parking stickers will be cited and towed.

9. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS RES. NO. 15426
REVISED ADMISSION POLICY (Continued) (Continued)

2. The employee membership card issued to all Zoological Gardens employees by the Zoological Society is accepted as the employee identification card. This card will be used to gain admission at the employee entrance from Zoo Road and to obtain employee discounts in accordance with Zoological Society policy.

3. A limited number of free admission tickets to the Zoological Gardens shall be printed. Each ticket shall be numbered for accounting purposes. These tickets shall be specifically used for marketing and promotion. With the exception of special promotions specifically approved by the Commission, no free admissions to other than Zoological Society members shall be permitted without using one of these tickets. Distribution of the free admission tickets shall be at the discretion of the Zoo Director provided said tickets are used for the purposes of marketing or promotion of the Zoo. For example, a specific number of tickets will be provided to the Development Office of the Zoological Society. At the end of the fiscal year, the Zoo Director shall submit a report to the Commission accounting for the distribution of the free admission tickets and explaining the benefits to the Zoo resulting from the distribution of these tickets. This report will be used as the basis for determining the appropriate number of such tickets to be printed in subsequent years.

4. Free admission will continue to be allowed for school groups and San Francisco Recreation and Park Department groups. School group is defined as preschool, primary and secondary schools. For those groups, one adult would be admitted free for each five children. All other adults must pay the group rate.

5. Group rates ($1 off regular admission price) shall be made available only to organized groups of ten or more. Effective January 1, 1990, this rate is available only to groups which make their plans at least 24 hours in advance and who arrive at the same time and purchase their admission as a single transaction. A special group gate should be developed at the South Entrance to accommodate such groups.

6. Individuals conducting research who are not Zoological Gardens staff members must submit their research projects to the Director for review. The Director has the discretion to approve or disapprove such projects. Researchers with approved projects shall receive a staff card which entitles them to free admission to the Zoo for the purpose of working on their projects.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

10. GOLDEN GATE PARK
MUSIC CONCOURSE
TEMPORARY PLACEMENT OF ART WORK

Conceptual approval of temporary permit to install various pieces of sculpture in the Golden Gate Park Music Concourse from May 1990 to October 1990.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained that this is a request to have an art exhibit in the Music Concourse area of Golden Gate Park. He noted that some of the sculpture pieces are large and that staff is supportive of the exhibit provided that provisions are made to protect all plant material in the immediate area of Golden Gate Park.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that this is merely conceptual approval for this exhibit.

Commission Secretary Shauna Marie Rose noted that there was a clerical error in the dates of the exhibit which should read 1991 rather than 1990.

Harry Parker, representing the Fine Arts Museums, explained the exhibit will offer 25 to 30 art pieces. The Museums will provide special security during the summer of 1991 for the artwork. The Museums plan to work with staff on choosing the sites and he hoped the Department would be a co-sponsor for this exhibit. He also explained that his staff will work with Recreation and Park to increase maintenance of the Music Concourse area.

Steven Nash, a curator at the Fine Arts Museums, will be the supervisor of the exhibition. He thought the exhibit will be exciting and has been working closely with the Department in trying to find the right location, proper scale, and appropriate materials for the exhibit.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15427

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves a temporary permit to install various pieces of sculpture in the Golden Gate Park Music Concourse from May 1991 to October 1991.

11. McKINLEY SQUARE
USE BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Approval to use surplus portion of Park property by the Department of Public Health for recreational purposes.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the electorate recently approved a general obligation bond to build a skilled nursing facility adjacent to San Francisco General Hospital. There is a very small triangle parcel of land that used to be connected to McKinley Park before U.S. Highway 101 was constructed. The triangle was formerly part of a park and is now a landlocked triangle with no public access. The Department of Public Health

11. McKINLEY SQUARE
USE BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (Continued)

has asked Recreation and Park to declare this land surplus and transfer its jurisdiction to the Health Department for inclusion in their property. The City Attorney's Office is in the process of analyzing the proper procedure by which to do this. It was her suggestion that the Commission conceptually approve the transfer of this property. The plan is to have this parcel of land used for recreational purposes by the patients and clients of the facility. She suggested that the Commission approve the finalized language at a future meeting.

Ms. Burns then explained that the Department of Public Health has been using a piece of Recreation and Park Department property at Kezar Stadium for a number of years. This property is now used as a storage area by the ambulance drivers. She preferred to have the transfer of McKinley Square property take place at the same time the Health Department vacates the Recreation and Park property at Kezar. She stated that it would be her intent to place the Department's Special Needs Division at this location and be able to consolidate the reservation function, which is now located at two separate sites.

Phyllis Harding, representing the Department of Public Health and project director for the Mental Health Facility, explained that they planned to include 12 adolescent beds at this facility. The Health Department felt it was important to provide a recreational space for the children and the park land would be an ideal setting for children between the ages of 12-19, who will stay at this facility from 9 months to 2 years. She noted that the facility needs to provide housing as well as an educational and recreational component. She wanted approval from the Commission so that she could proceed with the environmental impact review process. She further noted that Dr. Tom Peters informed her that the Health Department is committed to vacate the Kezar property in a timely manner and is willing to work with Recreation and Park staff to set up a mutually compatible time frame for vacation of this property.

Mr. Arnold stated that he has been involved in informal discussions with the Health Department to vacate this park property for more than a year.

Commissioner Guggenhime was not in favor of making a motion contingent upon vacation of that park property unless the General Manager felt it was important to do so.

Ms. Burns explained that the Health Department promised to vacate this property since 1984 and to date has not vacated the property.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

11. McKINLEY SQUARE
USE BY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (Continued)

RES. NO. 15428

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the use of the surplus triangular portion of park property (Parcel No. 1, Block 4091) located at McKinley Square by the Department of Public Health for recreational purposes, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That use of this surplus portion of McKinley Square park property is contingent upon the vacation of the Park Aid Station located in Golden Gate Park, Stanyan Street, currently used by the Health Department as an ambulance supply depot, prior to the start date of construction of the new Mental Health Nursing Facility, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Attorney shall prepare appropriate language for this transfer of land which shall be formally adopted by this Commission at a future date.

12. MEMORIAL BENCH POLICY

Adoption of memorial bench policy guidelines.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that the Parks and Planning Committee recommended approval of a memorial bench program which would set up guidelines to donate benches. There is a financial formula connected with the donation which will reserve a portion of the donation for bench maintenance and specific area upkeep. She recommended approval and further stated that there has been much interest in this memorial bench policy.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15429

WHEREAS, The Recreation and Park Commission has an established gift policy to assure that proposed gifts are appropriate to park planning, design and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, It has been suggested that additional guidelines be provided for the administration, design, placement and maintenance of memorial benches within Golden Gate Park and in other parks, squares and playgrounds throughout San Francisco; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the following guidelines are adopted amending the existing gift policy.

1. Consistency with Existing Policies and Master Plan and Department Goals

Memorial bench gift acceptance and placement should be in accordance with adopted policy and land use plans for parks for which master plans have been prepared (i.e., Golden Gate Park). Benches should be in keeping with general Recreation and Park Department goals for specific parks, and should enhance the chosen location in a way meaningful to park visitors.

12. MEMORIAL BENCH POLICY (Continued) RES. NO. 15429 (Continued)

2. Duration of Gift

The name recognition for the memorial bench would last through the life of the bench. Routine maintenance and repair of vandalized parts will sustain the normal life cycle of the bench (5 years). Donors will have an opportunity to renew their contribution, at replacement cost, after the five year period.

3. Contribution

Gift contributions for a memorial bench should be a minimum of $3,000 as a donation which immortalizes the donor and covers the purchase, installation, routine maintenance and repair of the bench, administrative costs of the Memorial Bench Program and contributes to a park maintenance endowment fund.

Contributions should be made to the Friends of Recreation and Parks Memorial Bench Fund. A portion of each contribution, equaling not more than 15% of the contribution, shall be held by the fund administrator in the "Memorial Bench Fund" for bench maintenance and repair. Not more than 10% of the total donation will be available to the park section where the bench is sited for routine maintenance. The balance of the contribution, after expenditures for bench purchase, plaque fabrication and installation, is to be deposited in a park maintenance endowment fund.

A bench sponsor's agreement will accompany each contribution specifying the conditions of the donation, including replacement costs should the bench or plaque be severely damaged.

4. Administration

The Arboretum Society and the Zoo Society currently administer their own memorial bench programs. A Memorial Bench Program sponsored by the Friends of Recreation and Parks, modeled after the Memorial Tree Program, would assume responsibilities for coordinating and administering the Bench Program for all other park properties.

Administrative responsibilities would include working with donors and park staff in conducting the memorial bench program, maintaining a computerized data base of bench type and location, creation of a commemorative map, donor certification, and routine inspection and maintenance. A Friends of Recreation and Parks volunteer or part-time staff person(s) would be needed to perform these functions.

5. Bench Design

The design criteria includes: compatibility with existing park furniture, durability and low maintenance. Benches are typically 6 or 8 feet long. The Memorial Bench Program will establish standard designs approved by the Park Division.

12. MEMORIAL BENCH POLICY (Continued) RES. NO. 15429 (Continued)

6. Plaque Design

A standard bronze plaque measuring 5 inches high by 8 inches long, with a plain, raised border and classic (or Claredon) raised letters on a brown pebble background will be used for commemorative messages. The plaque size accommodates up to 100 characters, which could include the names of the person(s) honored and the donor and dates. Short messages should follow guidelines provided by staff.

7. Bench Location

Initially the Memorial bench program will focus on the Music Concourse in Golden Gate Park. New locations may be added at the discretion of the Superintendent of Parks.

The Memorial Bench program should predetermine the locations within parks where new benches are planned or are appropriate, or where existing benches need replacement. Donors will be consulted for preference on the location of their gift bench. Bench donors will be given site maps showing the agreed upon location.

Patrons will be informed that their preferred bench location may need to change if the park plan is revised or if excessive vandalism occurs. Donors would be notified of any location change following installation. The Recreation and Park Department will reserve the right to resite or remove a memorial bench if it becomes a hazard or a liability.

8. Bench Maintenance

Bench installation and maintenance would be supervised and performed by Recreation and Park staff and charged to the Friends Bench Fund. The activity may be assisted by the Friends part-time staff or volunteers assigned to the Memorial Bench Program.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

13. JUNIPERO SERRA CLUBHOUSE
RENOVATION PLANS

Approval of plans for the renovation of the Junipero Serra Clubhouse.

Assistant to General Manager Timothy Lillyquist explained that this item is rehabilitation of Junipero Serra Clubhouse located at 300 Stonecrest Drive. Elements of this plan, funded through the Open Space Program, include enlargement of the director's office and multi-purpose room, additional storage space, providing handicap accessible restrooms, and new lighting and painting. The entry way to the building will be modified and enhanced to provide a more welcome setting.

13. JUNIPERO SERRA CLUBHOUSE
RENOVATION PLANS (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15430

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves plans for the renovation of Junipero Serra Clubhouse.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

14. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW

Review of the permit and reservations policy for use of facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department as required by Park Code Section 7.03-IV, Resolution 15256.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Permit and Reservations Policy requires staff to report to the Commission every six months on the administration of the policy, including any problems or modifications that need to be included in the policy. She explained that there was no damage to Golden Gate Park and proper litter pick up procedure was followed for the annual Bay to Breakers event and that staff reported at the Parks and Planning Committee on the impact of the Cinco de Mayo event held at Potrero del Sol.

Ms. Burns proposed several amendments to the policy which included:

- that groups of 5000 or more be required to recycle. The groups could do this themselves or contract with the Conservation Corps or neighborhood recycling groups. Groups of less than 5000 shall still be encouraged to recycle.
- prohibit the sale and/or use of mylar balloons.
- prohibit the release of large helium balloons and encourage people to properly deflate balloons.
- prohibit certain types of styrofoam in accordance with recently enacted Board of Supervisors legislation.
- In response to an issue raised by Commissioner Ruiz, Ms. Burns proposed offering an in-kind service in lieu of a fee for non-profit organizations which would be subject to approval by the General Manager.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15431

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following amendments to the permit and reservations policy for use of facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department as required by Park Code Section 7.03-IV:

14. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW (Continued)

RES. NO. 15431
(Continued)

- that groups of 5000 or more be required to recycle. The groups could do this themselves or contract with the Conservation Corps or neighborhood recycling groups. Groups of less than 5000 shall still be encouraged to recycle.
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- In response to an issue raised by Commissioner Ruiz, Ms. Burns proposed offering an in-kind service in lieu of a fee for non-profit organizations which would be subject to approval by the General Manager.

15. WASHINGTON SQUARE
TWO-DAY TENT RALLY

Approval of Mario Murillo Ministries, to hold a two-day evangelistic meeting on Friday, September 1 and Saturday, September 2, 1989, in Washington Square for the purpose of religious services.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

15A. POTRERO DEL SOL
TWO-DAY TENT RALLY

Approval of Mario Murillo Ministries, to hold a two-day evangelistic meeting on Friday, September 1 and Saturday, September 2, 1989, in Potrero del Sol for the purpose of religious services.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained that this item was heard before the Parks and Planning Committee last month and was a request to hold a multiple day religious event at Washington Square. The Parks and Planning Committee felt that Washington Square was not an appropriate site and asked staff to find an alternate location. Staff met with Mr. Herd, representing Mario Murillo, and offered him alternate sites, including a location in Golden Gate Park. Mr. Murillo has requested the use of Potrero del Sol for a three-day event, and wants to tent the park to cover 600-700 people to baffle any escaping sound. Mr. Robinson explained that he has discussed at great length with Mr. Herd the impact of this event on the community and suggested that carpooling be done so that the neighborhood would not be adversely impacted.

Daniel Herd, representing Mario Murillo Ministries, said that although he preferred a three day event, he would agree to a two day event to be held on Saturday and Sunday. He stated that this particular event is a church service which will not impact on the community. Mr. Murillo wanted to hold the event at Potrero del Sol because he had grown up in the Mission District. He further stated that they would follow all of the permit requirements.

15A. POTRERO DEL SOL
TWO-DAY TENT RALLY (Continued)

Nevada Rebagliati, a nearby resident to Potrero del Sol, felt that this event would place a burden on the neighborhood and was opposed to it. She stated that it was not a proper use for this small park and asked that the neighborhood be allowed to enjoy the park for the three-day Labor Day holiday.

Lorraine Yeoman, representing the East Mission Improvement Association, expressed her outrage and shock that the Commission would consider a three-day event at Potrero del Sol. She explained that this park is adjacent to densely populated area and that the residents are still recuperating from the recently held Cinco de Mayo event held at this park. She suggested that this event be held at another location, either Candlestick Park or Golden Gate Park.

Mr. Herd explained that service would be held twice a day at 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., each service lasting from 2 to 4 hours. He expected 1000 to 1300 people at each service.

Commissioner Guggenhime noted that Mr. Herd wrote to the Department on March 7, 1989, requesting a location for this event in September. He was troubled that there was such a lag in responding to the request. He hoped that in the future staff would find a way to respond to requests in a more timely fashion. He further noted that there would be no alcohol served at this event.

Commissioner Mori felt that the number of hours for this event would not impact the neighborhood too greatly.

A discussion ensued regarding alternative locations.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15432

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a two-day event, Saturday, 9/2/89, and Sunday 9/3/89, provided that the 2:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. service shall last no more than two hours each.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner Harris

16. 1989 URBAN FAIR
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA/JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA

Consideration of the request to hold the 1989 Urban Fair scheduled for Friday, October 6 through Monday, October 9 at either Civic Center Plaza or Justin Herman Plaza.

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained that this request was heard before the Parks and Planning Committee. The Urban Fair held a very successful event last year at Civic Center Plaza. Because of the homeless situation at Civic Center, Mr. Skip Conrad, Executive Director of the Urban Fair, is looking for an alternative site. He has considered Justin Herman Plaza or Marina Green. Mr. Conrad has requested use of Justin Herman Plaza and received approval from the Embarcadero Center. Mr. Conrad would like an exemption from the permit policy so that he be permitted to install amusement rides on the grassy area of Embarcadero Center which he would protect with a covering.

President Eickman pointed out to Mr. Conrad that he thought it was very unlikely that the Commission would allow the placement of amusement rides on park property. He reminded Mr. Conrad that the Commission just held a special meeting on July 18, 1989 regarding a permit extension for use of Civic Center Plaza and made a specific condition of extending that permit contingent upon removal of rides from park property.

Skip Conrad, representing the San Francisco Urban Fair, stated that he would not use Civic Center Plaza because of the homeless problem coupled with the "Food Not Bombs" food distribution. He displayed pictures of the recent event held at Civic Center. The Embarcadero Center has agreed to be a co-sponsor for the Urban Fair event and he wanted Recreation and Park to also be a co-sponsor. Mr. Conrad then made his request that rides be permitted on the grass. He was willing to place a metal covering (farmer's disc) over the sprinkler heads for protection. Secondly, he stated that he has met with the Superintendent of Parks and the Area Supervisor for Neighborhood Parks and Squares regarding having the fair at Justin Herman Plaza and was willing to locate the heaviest foot traffic along the sidewalk. He was also considering using the Candlestick Park tarp to protect other park surfaces and was willing, if necessary, to post a reasonable bond to protect the park property. He was aware that his request was against park policy. He was hopeful to hold a very successful youth fair and wanted to bring children to a pleasant environment. He stated that he also spoke to the Port Commission to see if the amusement rides could be placed on the southbound lane of the Embarcadero but found that this was not feasible.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked why this particular weekend was essential and Mr. Conrad stated that he needed a three day event in order to have a successful event.

President Eickman reiterated the point that the Commission was unwilling to allow rides on park property.

Commissioner Mori made a motion to deny the permit application for use of Justin Herman Plaza by the San Francisco Urban Fair. Commissioner Guggenhime seconded this motion.

16. 1989 URBAN FAIR
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA/JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA (Continued)

Mr. Conrad asked that the Commission consider approving both Civic Center Plaza and the Justin Herman Plaza for the Urban Fair provided that no mechanical rides were placed on park property. Commissioner Mori withdrew his previous motion.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15433

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a permit for the Urban Fair to be held on October 6-9, 1989, at either Justin Herman Plaza or Civic Center Plaza provided that no mechanical rides are placed on either of these park properties.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

17. SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS
CANDLESTICK PARK PARKING LOT
FEE INCREASE

Approval to increase the parking lot rates at Candlestick Park for the 1989 football season, as follows:.

	# of Spaces	Current Rate	Requested Rate
Automobiles	8040		
Pre-paid, preferred		n/a	$12.00
Open		$ 5.00	$ 8.00
RV/Motor Homes			
(over 17 feet)	300	$15.00	$25.00
Bus/Limousines	230		
Limousines		$20.00	$25.00
Bus		$20.00	$20.00

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse explained the 49ers are proposing a preferred parking area for season ticket holders in the Candlestick Park parking lot. She enumerated the requested fees and explained that staff's recommendation differed from the 49ers' request. She stated that the Department agrees in principle with the concept of the prepaid lot but felt that the preferred parking area should be restricted to 4000 vehicles with a $10.00 charge. Staff also recommended that the open parking area rate should be $7.00 rather than the requested $8.00, and the RV/Motor Home rate should be $20.00 rather than the requested $25.00. Staff compared the rates charged at other stadiums and the proposed rates would be among the highest in the country. She felt the $10.00 rate proposed by staff was quite substantial.

17. SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS
CANDLESTICK PARK PARKING LOT
FEE INCREASE (Continued)

Ms. Stonehouse further stated that the Department wanted to encourage the use of public transportation to Candlestick Park and felt that a rate increase would foster transit usage. She noted that the revenues generated from the increase would revert to the Candlestick Fund, not the General Fund. Staff's recommendation would generate $100,000 dollars to the Department and $140,000 to the 49ers. She further asked that the Commission consider placing a duration on the parking rates, perhaps a 1 or 2 year restriction on the approved fees.

President Eickman asked how the 49ers justified the increase.

Ms. Stonehouse explained the 49ers feel they can provide better service in the lot, extra security, better signage, more personnel to direct fans, assist to keep the lot cleaner, provide an area to drop coals and can improve the traffic flow situation.

Commissioner Harris enumerated the recommendation made by the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee. He explained that the $12.00 preferred parking rate is in great demand and that the Committee did not discuss a time frame for how long the fees would remain in effect.

Murlan Fowell, representing the San Francisco 49ers, explained a fee increase request was not proposed for buses because they wanted to encourage the use of mass transit. The 49ers requested an increase to the RV/Motor Home/limousine rate because of the square footage area needed to park these vehicles. He noted that the 49ers would agree to the $7.00 open parking rate and said that much of the requested fee package would pay for increased services in the lot, including more parking personnel, increased security and that the 49ers will clean the lot before, during, and after the game. The 49ers feel that the preferred parking rate of $12.00 is a great convenience and that fans would not have to worry when to arrive in the main parking lot. He noted that the 49ers have received an overwhelming response to the preferred parking area concept and that it has been very successful for other teams. He also noted that they plan to increase the number of handicap spaces to 60.

Commissioner McAteer explained that there was concern about congestion and people coming later to the game.

Mr. Fowell explained that the preferred parking area will spread traffic out. Normally the lot is full by 10:30 a.m. and the preferred parking area will enable fans to arrive later. It was also the intent that the preferred parking area will promote carpooling.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained that when it rains, silt from the adjoining lot is carried into the main lot. He asked if the 49ers will now be responsible for cleaning the main lot when that occurs.

Mr. Fowell explained that the 49ers would clean the lot before, during, and after the game on game day but that rainfall, considered an "Act of God", did not fall under the 49ers jurisdiction. He noted that the 49ers were willing to work with staff on this matter.

17. SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS
CANDLESTICK PARK PARKING LOT
FEE INCREASE (Continued)

Jim Tomasello, believed that the proposed fee structure would alleviate traffic problems, allow tailgaters to arrive later resulting in lower alcohol consumption, and unruly fan behavior. He strongly recommended that the Commission consider numbering the specific parking spaces in the preferred parking area.

Mr. Fowell explained that the 49ers wanted to operate the preferred parking area before assigning designated spaces. The 49ers were concerned that if one person parked in an incorrect slot it would cause congestion and create an inconvenience to the fans. The 49ers will add directional staff and signage in the parking area.

Commissioner Mori thought that a more clear definition of cleaning the parking lot should be seriously considered. He noted that the overall congestion problems, the loss of parking lots to the State development were of concern and felt the the preferred parking area would alleviate some of the traffic. He stated that with the current automobile parking rate of $5.00 there is no incentive to use public transportation and therefore felt an increase was in order.

A discussion ensued as to whether there would be a defined time frame for the parking rates and it was agreed that this should not be done.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15434

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase in the parking lot rates at Candlestick Park for the 1989 football season, as follows:.

	# of Spaces	Current Rate	Approved Rate
Automobiles			
Pre-paid, preferred	4000	n/a	$12.00
Open		$ 5.00	$ 7.00
RV/Motor Homes			
(over 17 feet)	300	$15.00	$25.00
Bus/Limousines	230		
Limousines		$20.00	$25.00
Bus		$20.00	$20.00

18. SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS
CANDLESTICK PARKING LOT
RENT CREDIT

Approval of a rent credit to the San Francisco 49ers not to exceed $80,000 for resurfacing and restriping the Candlestick Parking Lot.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item received approval from the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee. Approximately a year ago the Candlestick Park Parking lot was slurry sealed and 1/3 of the lot was restriped. The 49ers have requested that completion of this capital improvement project be done prior to the beginning of the 49er season. Mr. Lind explained that the 49ers have proposed to complete the work contingent upon a rent credit. Staff has agreed to a rent credit not to exceed $80,000. He further explained that this item will be included in the 49er lease agreement which is in the process of being prepared by staff.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked if there would be a problem with completing this project during the time the Giants were on the road. Mr. Lind stated that it will be done during this time period and should work out well.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15435

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a rent credit to the San Francisco 49ers not to exceed $80,000 for resurfacing and restriping the Candlestick Parking Lot.

ACTION: Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

19. BILL GRAHAM PRESENTS
"IN CONCERT AGAINST AIDS"
WAIVER OF FEE

Consideration of a fee waiver in the amount of $2,900 for the rental of the Recreation and Park Department's tarp used in conjunction with the "In Concert Against Aids" fundraiser held at the Oakland Coliseum on Saturday, May 27, 1989.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained that the Candlestick Park tarp was rented to Bill Graham Presents for a concert. A fee waiver was requested and it was his recommendation not to grant it since it would set a precedent and set the stage for many other worthwhile organizations to request a fee waiver in the future. He suggested that staff enter into discussions with either the Bill Graham organization or the San Francisco Giants to see if some form of in-kind payment could be agreed upon in lieu of the $2900 rental fee. If this was not agreeable with either party, he would then request payment for the tarp rental.

19. BILL GRAHAM PRESENTS
"IN CONCERT AGAINST AIDS"
WAIVER OF FEE (Continued)

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15436

RESOLVED, That this Commission denys the fee waiver and directs staff to enter into discussions with either the San Francisco Giants or Bill Graham Presents to develop an in-kind service in-lieu of the fee waiver.

ACTION: Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

20. CANDLESTICK PARK
HARRY M. STEVENS
FOOD AND BEVERAGE ITEMS

Approval to offer the following food and beverage items, previously sold on a trial basis, at Candlestick Park for the 1989 football season:

Finance and Business Development Manager Christina Stonehouse explained that Harry M. Stevens has requested confirmation of food and beverage items previously approved on a trial basis at Candlestick Park. She noted that Stevens dropped some of the items where demand was low and recommended approval of the food and beverage items.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15435

	Price
Large Frozen Yogurt (9 oz)	$2.75
Chili (8 oz)	$2.75
Frozen Banana (Chaquita Frozana)	$2.50
Roasted Almonds (5 oz)	$2.50
Peppers & Onions (for new sausages)	$0.50
At the Health Hut only:	
"Health Dog"	$1.75
Fresh Fruit (In season)	$0.75
Yogurt	$1.50
Fresh Salads	$3.75 to $4.95
Snack Items	$1.25
Blue tortilla chips with fresh Salsa	$2.00
Calistoga Water	$1.25
Crystal Geyser Juice Squeeze	$1.50
Volvic (Natural PH Balance H2O)	$1.50
Clearly Canadian	$1.75
Clausthaler (non-alcoholic beer)	$2.50
Health Muffin (new)	$1.50

ACTION: Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

21. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
CANDLESTICK PARKING LOT AGREEMENT

Approval of the finalized San Francisco Giants Candlestick Park parking lot agreement.

ACTION: This item was removed from the Calendar.

22. ART SHOWS
APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEE

Ratification of revised permit fee for art shows, effective July 1, 1989:

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained this item was heard before the Finance and Administration Committee which recommended a $75.00 charge per day, per site with an accompanying prohibition of any sale on park property. He further stated that staff is comfortable with this recommendation.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that at the Committee level there was discussion of a fee of $100 per day, for each site with 17% of gross receipts payable to the Department. The artists did not like this proposal and it was also thought that it would be very difficult to administer.

Terry Steinke, representing the Artists Guild of San Francisco, stated that they could handle the $75.00 rate even though it represents a 300% increase for the artists. He clarified the point that there would be no sales allowed on park property but that sales would be permitted off park premises.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15438

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a $75.00 per day use per site with an express prohibition against any sales on park property.

23. AEROBICS CLASSES
APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEE

Approval of interim aerobics class permit fee of 20% of gross revenue.

Superintendent of Recreation Division Joel Robinson explained this is a request from the Recreation Division to allow staff to issue private aerobics instructors a permit to teach aerobics on Recreation and Park facilities. The Department receives 20% of gross revenues. Currently, the Drama and Dance Advisory Committee collects the fees for the permit. The Department would like to institute this practice so that the permit fee is properly collected and accounted by the Department.

23. AEROBICS CLASSES
APPROVAL OF PERMIT FEE (Continued)

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15439

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an interim aerobics class permit fee of 20% of gross revenue.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

24. SHARON ARTS STUDIO
STUDIO FEES

Ratification of the following open studio fees at the Sharon Art Studio effective July 1, 1989:

Ceramics	$20 per student per course
Leaded Glass	$12 per student per course
Jewelry	$12 per student per course

Superintendent of Recreation Joel Robinson explained that the Finance and Administration Committee recommended approval of the above fees contingent on the fact that staff would develop a senior citizen fee. Staff recommended a 25% reduction in the open studio fees for senior citizens.

Dorothy Gerughty, submitted a letter which outlined the fee structures charged at other art class facilities. The fee comparision sheet showed that the Sharon Arts Studio fees are higher than those charged at comparable facilities. She felt that students should be given extra time to complete class projects rather than being charged.

Donna Figone, representing the Arts and Crafts Advisory Committee, explained that she has worked with staff to generate revenues. The Advisory Committee is also trying to have Friends of Recreation and Parks be an agency to support outside donations for the Sharon Arts Studio. She urged that other ways be developed to generate revenue rather than increasing fees.

Commissioner Mori said he raised the issue concerning the fee structure for senior citizens at the Committee level and noted that in reviewing some of the fee structures at other facilities, San Francisco appears to be one of the highest in the Bay Area.

Mr. Robinson stated that the Recreation Division is committed to raise $150,000 at the Sharon Art Studio and there has already been $100,000 in staff reductions at this facility. The Division needed to generate $60,000 revenue and this item would generate approximately $4,000.

A discussion ensued regarding the fee structures and charges in other Bay area facilities.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, this item was referred back to the Finance and Administration Committee for further discussion.

25. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Consideration and approval of Lease Amendment and Settlement Agreement negotiated with Gas House Cove Marina, Inc.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan presented for approval the Lease Amendment and Settlement Agreement for Gas House Cove Marina Inc. She explained that a dredging permit was obtained and that dredging should occur immediately. She noted that Mr. Kaplan wanted to inform the Commission that this agreement is contingent upon the fact that the dredging work will begin expeditiously and that if, for some reason, the dredging work does not occur as projected, the settlement offer is void.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15439

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Lease Amendment and Settlement Agreement negotiated with Gas House Cove Marina, Inc.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

26. PON & HOM AGREEMENT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of agreement with Pon and Hom, pursuant to Controller's Audit. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

ACTION: This item was removed from the Calendar.

27. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Margaret Parkhurst pleaded with the Commission to reconsider naming Douglass Park as a designated pigeon feeding area. The Commission explained that the Parks and Planning Committee at its 7/6/89 meeting denied her request to reconsider this matter. She stated that Mayor Agnos is very interested in this matter and that the pigeons have been there since 1942. She urged the Commission to reconsider her request.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that the Committee was not interested in rehearing the matter at this time.

28. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT

President Eickman explained that the gift pertaining to the San Francisco Foundation was removed from the calendar. (From the San Francisco Foundation, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $3,500.00, for summer concerts at Boeddeker Park.)

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15441

Acceptance of the following gift valued at $38,750.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

A. From Friends of Golden Gate Pavilion, $35,250.00, for the repair and maintenance of the Pavilion in Golden Gate Park.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate letter of thanks will be sent to the donor.

29. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman requested approval to discuss an item that had not been calendared because he considered the issue to be of an emergency in nature. He explained that in order to do this a 2/3 vote of the legislative body was necessary. The matter he wanted to discuss was the proposed Charter Amendment to change certain security classifications within the Recreation and Park Department to Deputy Sheriffs.

Commissioner O'Connor was of the opinion that the Sheriff Mike Hennessey should be notified of this matter so that he could address the issue. She further noted that there was sufficient time to calendar this matter for consideration and was opposed to discussing it.

President Eickman explained that this matter is calendared for consideration before the Board of Supervisors on Monday, July 24, 1989, and hence the emergency.

Commissioner Mori was also not inclined to consider this issue.

President Eickman then discussed the memorial service held for Tom Malloy and noted that Commissioner McAteer and himself attended the service.

30. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of May 1, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of July 6, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of July 6, 1989
Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee Meeting of July 18, 1989

31. ADJOURNMENT

Vice President McAteer fondly recollected the many achievements of Tom Malloy, the former General Manager for the Recreation and Park Department. She discussed the many projects he completed for the Department and praised him for his creativeness.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Department is working on a way to properly commemorate his contributions.

On motion of Vice President McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Tom Malloy, former General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department who passed away on June 28, 1989.

There being no further business, the 637th Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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MINUTES

638TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-Eighth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, August 17, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (noted present at 2:10 p.m.)
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Jeffrey K. Mori
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:10 p.m.)

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the minutes of the Special Meeting of July 18, 1989 were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 20, 1989 were approved as presented.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime, Ruiz

2:10 p.m. Commissioners Guggenhime and Ruiz arrived at the meeting.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary Burns submitted the following report:

"INTRODUCTION OF NEW MARINA MANAGER

It is my pleasure to introduce to you Mr. Gary Davis, the Department's new Interim Marina Manager. Gary was most recently the manager of the Golden Gate Yacht Club, and has a very strong background in maintenance, having served as a foreman carpenter for the City of Alameda and a boat builder for Stone's Boat Yard, also in Alameda. He has quickly demonstrated his desire to improve his service to the public by working a forty-hour week spread over six days so as to be on duty Monday through Saturday.

Gary received an honorable discharge as Lance Corporal from the United States Marine Corps. We welcome him aboard.

COMMENDATIONS

At this time I am very proud to present the following commendations to Terrance McDevitt and Hristo Zahov for their courageous and brave actions. On May 16, 1989 these men came to the aid of a woman who was the victim of an attempted rape near the Children's Playground in Golden Gate Park. Approximately a week later Mr. McDevitt and Mr. Zahov spotted the same suspect stalking another woman in the same area. They immediately notified the police and followed the suspect until the officers arrived and apprehended the individual.

Police Chief Jordan in a letter to me dated July 17th commended them "for their quick thinking and courageous actions," and also stated that "it is through efforts, such as Mr. McDevitt's and Mr. Zahov's, that we are able to work together in combating crime."

Thank you gentlemen on behalf of the Department and this Commission.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

The Community Services Division began its Summer Program on June 19th. Playgrounds, school sites and recreation centers are conducting activities in athletics, arts and crafts, dance, and special field trips. The field trips are very popular and the participants have been to Great America, Santa Cruz, Raging Waters, Marine World, a Giants baseball game, the Planetarium, Exploratorium, Randall Museum and the Zoo. Attendance at all facilities has increased this summer.

Another fun activity is the Adventure Day Camp. The Department has five of these camps operating at Gilman, Joseph Lee, Garfield, Herz and Ocean View playgrounds. There are 140 children, ages 6 through 13, who are taking advantage of this program on a weekly basis. Activities include weekly or daily trips to points of interest in San Francisco. Along with these special trips, some of the children have been participating in a 4-H Nutrition Program, cooking classes, tennis classes, arts and crafts, and baseball. The children at Herz accompanied by their director made a special trip to Ano Nueva on August 11th.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

This summer the Workreation Program has employed 220 youths between the ages of 16 and 18 years. They were recruited through local public and private high schools and alternative schools, recreation centers and playgrounds, youth-service agencies and the Youth Guidance Center. This is an 8-week employment program with each youth averaging between 20 - 30 hours a week. They are assigned to various divisions in the Department, including Administration, Cultural, Day Camps, Community Services, Golden Gate Park Nursery and the swimming pools. The Department as well as the youth workers benefit from this most worthwhile program.

NORTH LAKE UPDATE

Our preliminary investigations have revealed that the northern portion of the lake does not appear to have been sealed and as the aquifer drops, so does the lake. Stan Reinfeld, an engineer from the Department of Public Works, has submitted a preliminary plan which calls for the removal of 4 feet of silt from the northern section of the lake, regrading to accommodate a shelf for the replanting of a wildlife habitat and sealing the lake bottom and sides with bentonite. This proposal is expected to cost $147,000 and is currently under staff review. We have no source of monies identified to fund the project at this time. Meanwhile, most of the fish and turtles have been relocated to other lakes in the park, leaving the southern portion (the deepest section of the lake) with enough stable water to sustain the balance of the wildlife.

GOLDEN GATE PAVILION

The Golden Gate Pavilion at Stow Lake in Golden Gate Park is in the process of renovation. Thanks to the Taipei-San Francisco Sister City Committee and several other institutions in Taipei, a donation of $35,250 was received for labor and materials to repair the Pavilion. As of now work is being done on the roof with new green tiles from Taiwan replacing the old ones. I will keep you informed on the progress of this renovation project.

EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE

The earthquake which hit San Francisco last week caused some damage at North Beach Pool. The deck on the southwest corner buckled and cracked. Cracks in the pool liner, once 2 inches long before the quake, are now 20 feet long. Chunks of tile grouting fell to the bottom of the pool. All this, however, has not caused the pool to close, and Jim Lucey has enlisted a survey team to assess the damage and make repairs as soon as possible. As you may recall the Open Space budget adopted by this Commission contains funds to begin work on a new pool facility for the North Beach area.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

NUMBER OF PERMITS - LABOR DAY WEEKEND

I call your attention to the myriad of multiple day events as well as single day events taking place in the various parks over the Labor Day weekend. I think that we need to be aware of the citywide impact when there are so many events scheduled the same day, particularly over a 3-day weekend. For your information a list showing all the various activities in our parks over that weekend is in your packet.

MARY BURNS TO HEAD UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

Mayor Art Agnos has asked that I lead the 1989 City Employees' Charity Fundraising Campaign. The kickoff for the campaign will be October 16th. Ernie Prindle will assist me in coordinating the fundraising, and we will be looking for new ways and ideas to stimulate more interest and incentives to make the 1989 campaign a huge success.

COMPLETED CAPITAL PROJECTS

As required by Commission policy, I am pleased to report that the following capital projects have been completed:

The restoration of the clubhouse at Cabrillo Playground has been completed. The project was funded by a $112,000 allocation from the Open Space Program and included the rehabilitation of the kitchen, upgrading of the restrooms to meet handicapped requirements, new roofing, lighting and exterior painting.

The renovation of the Buchanan Mall along with the children's play area behind the Ella Hill Hutch Center was completed this month. The project cost was $1.1 million. It involved the total redesign of the five-block mall, the installation of new paving, turf and lighting as well as the rehabilitation of three children's play areas. The project was funded by the Open Space Program.

COUNTY FAIR FLOWER SHOW

The 1989 San Francisco County Fair Flower Show and Arts Festival will be held August 25 - 27. This year's theme is "Salute to Flowers." The art component this year will include sculpture in the Demonstration Gardens which should make a nice added attraction to Fair-goers. The preview this year will benefit the Freewheelers Association.

TIMOTEI PARK TO PARK EVENT

Timotei Park to Park is a new program designed to help preserve and enhance parks in California. Chesebrough Pond's Inc., will donate $10,000 for the purchase of 50,000 spring bulbs and 50 redwood trees to be planted in Golden Gate Park. This event, co-sponsored by Chesebrough Ponds and Friends of Recreation and Parks, will take place on Saturday, August 26th in the Redwood Memorial Grove (adjacent to the Rose Garden) and will include a tree planting, music, guided walks by the Friends of Recreation and Parks, a reforestation exhibit and the Randall Museum animal van.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CONSERVATORY RECEIVES RECOGNITION

The Northern California Orchid Seminar singled out the Department's collection of Masdevallia orchids as one of the most extensive and well grown in the world. Carl A. Luer of the St. Louis Botanical Garden and the world's leading authority on cool-growing orchids noted our collection has several species and cultivars previously thought to have been lost to cultivation. The Masdevallia Collection has also received the Orchid Digest award for Cultural Excellence and Plant Quality.

Impressed by the size, diversity and quality of our tuberous begonias, representatives of the American Begonia Society have asked the Conservatory to display some of its plants at their convention in San Mateo this month.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, September 4, 1989	Labor Day Holiday
Thursday, September 7, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee 10:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, September 7, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Sunday, September 10, 1989	Opera in the Park, 2:00 p.m., Music Concourse, Golden Gate Park
Monday, September 11, 1989	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:00 p.m., San Francisco Zoological Gardens"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Mori, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters **RES. NO. 15442**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period July 6, 1989 through August 2, 1989.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)**

b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00 — **RES. NO. 15443**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Donna Avtonomoff	71.90
Luis Bonilla	69.75
Brice Johnston	500.00
Liz Ann O'Shea	444.62
Tom Shaini	150.00
Susanne Svensson	40.00
Loretta Wright	322.12

c. SYSTEM PARKING OF CALIFORNIA RENT CREDIT — **RES. NO. 15444**

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a rent credit with System Parking of Northern California, Inc. not to exceed $5,000, to retain an architect to provide conceptual sketches of a modification of the Union Square Garage structure for the proposed merchandise concession.

d. ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AMENDMENT CASH REVOLVING FUND — **RES. NO. 15445**

RESOLVED, That this Commission amends the San Francisco Administrative Code, Article XV, Cash Revolving Fund, Section 10.160, Recreation and Park Department, to increase said revolving fund from $17,250 to $27,250.

e. CAMP MATHER MEAL FEE REFUND — **RES. NO. 15446**

RESOLVED, that the policy regarding refunds for meal fees set forth in the Rates and Regulations statement for Camp Mather shall be revised by deleting the existing language and substituting the following:

MEAL FEES: ADJUSTMENTS (Before Final Payment is Remitted): If you wish to cancel any guest off your confirmed reservation, you must notify the Camp Mather Desk. Your bill will be adjusted to delete the meal fee, subject to a $15 processing charge per cancelled guest. The adjusted bill will be sent to you for remittance. Single day's meals are not subject to adjustment.

REFUNDS (After Final Payment is Remitted): If you cancel any guest off your confirmed reservation by notifying the Camp Mather Desk no later than ten days before the scheduled date of your arrival at camp, you are entitled to receive a refund of the full amount of the Meal Fee, less a processing charge of $25.00 per cancelled guest. No refunds will apply to single day's meals. No refund will be made on the Meal Fee within 10 days prior to arrival or after arrival at camp.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)**

e. CAMP MATHER — **RES. NO. 15446**
MEAL FEE REFUND (Continued) — (Continued)

SUBSTITUTIONS: You may substitute someone in place of the cancelled guest, providing that when you arrive and register at the Camp Office, you pay the additional amount if you are substituting an Adult for a Child. If you are substituting a Child for an Adult, NO REFUND will apply.

FURTHER, RESOLVED, that the revised policy for meal fee refunds at Camp Mather will be applied beginning with the 1989 camp season.

f. GOLDEN GATE PARK — **RES. NO. 15447**
CONSERVATORY DRIVE
PEDESTRIAN WARNING SIGNS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the pedestrian warning signs to be placed on Conservatory Drive, Golden Gate Park.

g. GOLDEN GATE PARK — **RES. NO. 15448**
MONITOR WELLS AT SOUTH MILL

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the U.S. Geological Survey to install monitor well at South Mill in Golden Gate Park.

h. JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA — **RES. NO. 15449**
PERMIT FEE

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the $2,500 permit fee for Manufactures Hanover Corporate Challenge to be held at Justin Herman Plaza on August 16, 1989.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS**
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Interim Zoo Director Phil Arnold explained that this animal transaction is the sale of two colubus monkeys. The female monkey was on breeding loan to another facility and the male monkey had been expelled from the monkey group at the Zoo. He further noted that International Wildlife Park has signed the requisite form stating that these animals will not be sold to any game ranch or used for research.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

RES. NO. 15450

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (which were processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

Sold to: International Wildlife Park
601 Wildlife Parkway
Grand Prairie, Texas 75050
USDA 34-BD-4

One (1) Pair of Colobus Monkeys valued at $1500 for the pair. Payment shall be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

6. GREAT HIGHWAY
TRANSFER OF PROPERTY

Approval of transfer of property to Golden Gate National Recreational Area for construction of a restroom at Ocean Beach.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that this item was reviewed at the Parks and Planning Committee and involves a request by the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) to site two restrooms on Recreation and Park property along the Great Highway. The Committee recommended approval of the transfer of property for one site only and made it contingent upon negotiation of a reversion clause which would require removal of the building should the operation of the restroom cease for more than one year. In this case, the property would revert to Recreation and Park and the building would have to be removed at no expense to the Department. The proposed site straddles the property line between GGNRA and Recreation and Park, known as walkway #6, located south of Balboa Street. Staff feels it is a good idea to have restrooms along the ocean beach. She noted that the existing restrooms are built below the street elevation, are currently closed and are difficult to maintain.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that at the Committee level, neighbors expressed concern about security, height and maintenance of the proposed restrooms. The Committee recommended that only one restroom be constructed and that, if, for any reason the restrooms were not maintained or used for over a 12-month period, the property would revert to the Department.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Superintendent of the GGNRA has expressed concern about the reversionary clause and is of the opinion that they may not be able to agree to this clause.

Ms. Learner explained other elements of the transfer agreement still under discussion include having the GGNRA undertake maintenance of a strip of landscaping between the roadway and the GGNRA boundary line, south of Lincoln, and that some allocation of space in the Presidio be made available to the Department for storage of materials.

6. **GREAT HIGHWAY**
TRANSFER OF PROPERTY (Continued)

President Eickman noted that currently there are no restrooms along the beach area between the Cliff House and Golden Gate Park.

Ms. Learner explained that the design of the restroom has a sloping roof. The Art Commission must also approve the design of the restroom.

Commissioner O'Connor asked if there was a design alternative which would not require such a tall building.

Ms. Learner explained that the pitch of the roof could be reduced but the concept of the design is to deter individuals from gaining access to the roof of the building.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15451

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the transfer of property to Golden Gate National Recreational Area (GGNRA) for construction of a restroom at Ocean Beach, at Stairway #6 with the following conditions: the transfer is contingent on the fact that if the restroom is not used as originally intended and is unused for a period of more than twelve (12) months, the property will revert to the City and County of San Francisco and further provided that the GGNRA, at that time, shall remove the restroom structure at its expense.

7. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
43RD AVENUE ENTRANCE

Approval of converting the 43rd Avenue entrance, west leg, to a one-way street.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that this item is a minor traffic improvement proposed by the Department of Public Works, Traffic Engineering Division. Traffic Engineering feels there is a merging conflict at the west leg of 43rd Avenue entrance to the Park and is proposing that this area be made one way southbound lane. Staff concurs with the recommended traffic improvement.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15452

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves converting the 43rd Avenue entrance, west leg, to a one-way street, in Golden Gate Park.

8. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
BOWLING GREEN AND MIDDLE DRIVES
PERMANENT SITE BARRIERS

Approval of installation of permanent site barrier at the intersection of Bowling Green and Middle Drives.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained that this item is a request to place permanent site barriers when there are traffic closures in Golden Gate Park. Currently, metal barricades are used and it is time consuming to place these barricades. It is the intention of the Department to place a swing gate at the intersection of Bowling Green Drive and Middle Drive on a trial basis to see if the barriers are efficient and effective. If the barricades are effective, staff will place the site barriers at other locations throughout Golden Gate Park.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15453

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the installation of permanent site barrier at the intersection of Bowling Green and Middle Drives.

9. **UNION SQUARE**
ANNUAL CHANUKA CELEBRATION 1989

Approval of request by Chabad for use of Union Square for the annual Chanuka celebration from December 21, 1989 through January 2, 1990.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that the Parks and Planning Committee recommended approval of this item.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that this item is an annual event and that Union Square is one of the Department's dedicated areas for public assembly.

Rabbi Langer, representing Chabad, thanked the Commission for housing the menorah for the last 14 years and noted that the menorah represents freedom.

Joel Siegel, an attorney represented Chabad, echoed the sentiments made by Rabbi Langer, and noted that the menorah has become part of the tradition along with the Christmas tree at Union Square.

Jack Berman, a San Francisco resident, practicing attorney, and regional president of the American Jewish Congress, opposed this item and stated that it is their opinion that religious liberty is best promoted through assiduous adherence to the principle of separation of church and state. The view of the American Jewish Congress is that the separation of church and state requires that no agency in City government should be involved in making decisions of whether to display religious symbols on public property. He further stated that protection of religious liberty requires government to not appear to be promoting any particular religion, or favoring any religion over another. He also noted that the American Jewish Congress opposed Item #10 on the calendar.

9. **UNION SQUARE**
ANNUAL CHANUKA CELEBRATION 1989 (Continued)

Martin Kassman, representing Americans United for Separation of Church and State, opposed this item and Item #10. He agreed with the sentiments made by the previous speaker (Jack Berman) and stated that allowing the menorah would constitute a government endorsement of religion which is prohibited by both the Federal and State constitutions. He stated that the recent United States Supreme Court decision (County of Allegheny vs. ACLU) made it very clear that free standing religious symbols on government property violate the constitution. He urged the Commission to abide by this decision and to deny the request to place religious symbols on park property.

Joel Siegel, responded to the statement made by Mr. Kassman. He noted that the United States Supreme Court decision ruled that the menorah was a seasonal display and affirmed the right of a religious organization to place the menorah provided that it stood next to the Christmas Tree.

Commissioner Guggenhime felt that the two recent United States Supreme Court decisions on this matter were somewhat unclear and felt the Commission was well within its right to approve this item.

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales explained that Union Square has been specifically designated for public assembly and to deny the right to one organization based on the content of their activity is a violation of their freedom of expression.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15454

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request by Chabad for use of Union Square for the annual Chanuka celebration from December 21, 1989 through January 2, 1990.

10. **UNION SQUARE**
SUCCAH DISPLAY

Approval of the request from Chabad to set up a succah (temporary dwelling) from Tuesday, October 24, 1989 through Saturday, October 28, 1989, during the holiday of Succot at the stage at Union Square.

Assistant Superintendent for Cultural Division Peter Ashe explained that originally staff recommended denial of this item based on the assumption that the succah was a dwelling place. Subsequent to the Parks and Planning Committee meeting, it was learned that the succah is a commemorative replica of a temporary dwelling place. Mr. Ashe offered the stage at Union Square as an alternative location for the succah display but was holding both Union Square and/or Justin Herman Plaza for this display. Rabbi Langer has indicated that he preferred to use Justin Herman Plaza.

President Eickman clarified the point that staff has now reversed the recommendation made at the Committee level and that the Committee denied placement of the succah at Justin Herman Plaza based on staff's recommendation.

10. **UNION SQUARE**
SUCCAH DISPLAY (Continued)

Mr. Ashe explained there was confusion as to the definition of the succah dwelling place and that he was on vacation when the staff recommendation was made.

Commissioner Harris asked how many structures had been allowed at Justin Herman Plaza. Mr. Ashe explained that staff has granted numerous permits for temporary structures and that it is a common occurrence to allow temporary structures on park property.

Commissioner McAteer asked if security would be provided and Mr. Ashe explained that Chabad will provide all necessary security.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales if the City Attorney opinion differed as to whether the succah was placed at Justin Herman Plaza or Union Square and Ms. Rosales explained that Justin Herman Plaza is also set aside for public assembly.

Rabbi Langer, representing Chabad, preferred to use Justin Herman Plaza because he planned to have people in the succah having light refreshments and felt the Plaza would be more appropriate.

Jack Berman, a San Francisco resident, practicing attorney, and regional president of the American Jewish Congress, indicated that as more and more of these type of requests are made by groups it becomes unavoidable that there will be perception that city government is endorsing, advocating and promoting religious groups. He explained that it was well within the discretion of the Commission to turn down this request and to preserve the atmosphere of separation of government and religion.

Martin Kassman, representing Americans United for Separation of Church and State, asked the Commission if a Neo-Nazi group wanted to place a swastika on park property would the government provide security. His organization was not opposed to people gathering on government property to have religious services but was opposed to groups erecting a symbol and leaving it on park property.

President Eickman informed Mr. Kassman that the City was not providing security for the succah and that this would be the responsibility of Rabbi Langer.

Commissioner McAteer asked what was the size of the structure, where would it be placed in Justin Herman Plaza and if the organization planned to include some sort of explanation to the public.

Mr. Ashe said he would work with Rabbi Langer on the specific location, the size of the succah is 25' by 15', and that Chabad planned to have discreet signage explaining the history of the dwelling.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15455

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from Chabad to set up a succah (temporary dwelling) from Tuesday, October 24, 1989 through Saturday, October 28, 1989, during the holiday of Succot at Justin Herman Plaza.

10A. KITEMAKERS
THREE DAY EVENT
MARINA GREEN

Approval of the request from the Kitemakers for use of the Marina Green for a three day event to be held on September 2-4, 1989.

Assistant Superintendent for Cultural Division Peter Ashe explained that staff recommended approval of this eighth annual far west stunt kite flying event at the Marina Green. There are several hundred participants and many spectators for this event. He noted that all of the requisite requirements have been met by the group and that staff will charge a $500.00 permit fee.

Cherie McFadden, representing the Kitemakers, explained that this particular event is competitive sport kiting of a dual control variety. The event offers $5,000 in prize money to the participants, who compete for the most precise movements, dance maneuvers and innovation. Each entrant pays a fee. There are two safety marshalls on duty during the event.

President Eickman noted that Virginia Fusco of the Marina Civic Improvement Association called and expressed her opposition to this event.

Commissioner Harris stated that the Marina is for the public as well as the residents. He was pleased to see this particular event at the Marina.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15456

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Kitemakers for use of the Marina Green for a three day event to be held on September 2-4, 1989.

11. RANDALL MUSEUM
MASTER PLAN

Approval of the Randall Museum Master Plan.

Park Planner Deborah Learner explained that staff has been developing the Randall Museum Master Plan for more than a year and that the Commission has already conceptually approved it. Since the Randall Museum improvements are substantially renovation and the proposed expansion is less than 10,000 square feet to the existing building, the Master Plan received an exemption from the Department of City Planning's Environmental Review Division. The Randall Museum Society also endorsed the Master Plan.

Assistant Superintendent for Cultural Division Peter Ashe introduced Amy Dawson, the newly appointed Director of the Randall Museum. Ms. Dawson has been associated with the Recreation and Park Department for more than eight years.

11. RANDALL MUSEUM
MASTER PLAN (Continued)

Molly Hooper, President of the Randall Museum Society and a nearby neighbor to the Museum, encouraged the Commission to approve the Master Plan. Staff and the Randall Museum Society has diligently worked on the Plan. Ms. Hooper explained that the Museum provides a quality experience and her goal is to make it a city wide institution. The Museum recently began offering summer Saturday classes which have been very successful. She urged that the Museum be open on Sundays so that the facility could be better utilized.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted;

RES. NO. 15457

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Randall Museum Master Plan.

12. AQUATICS DIVISION
SAVA AND HAMILTON SWIM TEAMS
TRIP TO HAWAII

Ratification of Sava and Hamilton Swim Teams trip to Hawaii.

Senior Swim Instructor Art Octavio, explained that the Aquatics Division is planning on taking 17 children to Hawaii to compete in the Annual Hawaiian Invitational Swim Meet. There will also be five chaperones and two swim coaches. The trip was largely paid by parent groups and was partially subsidized with fundraising activities.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Mori, the following resolution was adopted;

RES. NO. 15458

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the Sava and Hamilton Swim Teams trip to Hawaii.

13. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
APPEAL OF CANCELLATION OF SLIP

Appeal by Messrs. Howard Ashcraft and S. Mitchell Kaplan of the cancellation of Slip #156 at the Marina Yacht Harbor.

Interim Marina Manager Gary Davis explained that Mr. Kaplan's slip was cancelled due to non payment of rent and recommended that he not be reinstated due to his past history of late payments. Mr. Kaplan was over 50 days late in his payment, was sent certified letters, and was terminated in accordance with the Department's rules and regulations.

Commissioner Guggenhime noted that at the Committee level Mr. Davis indicated that Mr. Kaplan was delinquent on many occasions in the past.

13. **MARINA YACHT HARBOR**
APPEAL OF CANCELLATION OF SLIP (Continued)

Mr. Davis explained that Mr. Kaplan had been delinquent in his payments, perhaps as many as 14 times since 1981.

Sandy Kaplan, the berth holder, explained that a certified letter had been received, through another partner for the berth, cancelling the berth for failure to make payment. Mr. Kaplan was under the assumption that payment had been made. When Mr. Kaplan became aware of the cancellation notice, he contacted the General Manager and advised her of his intent to make payment as soon as possible. The Marina Manager's Office refused to accept payment. Mr. Kaplan offered a compromise that he and his partners be granted an additional thirty (30) days to see if they can sell the boat. He wanted to be afforded the opportunity to transfer the boat and the slip and was willing to prepay six months. He wanted an option to relinquish ownership in the boat yet preserve the opportunity to sell the boat and the rights of the slip.

President Eickman explained that he was not prepared to enter into the compromise solution offered by Mr. Kaplan especially since there was such a long history of delinquent payments.

Ms. Burns explained that the transfer of the berth adds to the value of the boat.

Mr. Davis noted that the waiting list for a slip at the Marina is 18 years.

Commissioner Mori echoed the sentiments made by President Eickman and stated that consideration of the sale of the boat should have taken place before the numerous delinquent notices were sent to Mr. Kaplan.

In response to President Eickman's question, Mr. Davis explained that he did not favor the compromise solution offered by Mr. Kaplan.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15459

RESOLVED, That this Commission denies the appeal by Messrs. Howard Ashcraft and S. Mitchell Kaplan of the cancellation of Slip #156 at the Marina Yacht Harbor.

ACTION: Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Harris, McAteer, Mori, O'Connor
Noes: Commissioner Guggenhime, Ruiz

14. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
FEE WAIVER

Consideration to approve a fee waiver in lieu of an in-kind service at the San Francisco Marina Yacht Harbor.

Superintendent of Parks Barney Barron explained that this item was heard before the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee and is a request to waive the $25.00 docking fee normally charged by the Department to a charter vessel. The vessel is a commercial fishing vessel which picks up senior citizens, most of whom have ambulatory problems. In exchange for the $25.00 fee the company will offer senior citizens a $5.00 discount on a Monday through Friday basis.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15460

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the above fee waiver in lieu of an in-kind service at the San Francisco Marina Yacht Harbor.

15. GAS HOUSE COVE MARINA, INC.
TEMPORARY PARKING CONFIGURATION

Approval of a temporary parking configuration for Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., at the Marina Yacht Harbor.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained that one of the items contained in the settlement agreement with Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., was that additional land side area be added to the leasehold for the tenant's use for parking for his employees and customers. The temporary parking configuration is subject to the recommendations of the pending Marina Master Plan. The configuration contains auto and trailer stalls and open space for access to underground gas tanks and boat hoist. The proposal has been reviewed by Park Planner Deborah Learner and the Department of Public Works, Traffic Engineering. The tenant understands that if the Marina Master Plan recommends a different configuration the lot will be reconfigured at his expense.

Commissioner Harris thought that perhaps the parking area was too large.

Ms. Scanlan explained that it is unsafe to park cars and trucks on the area above the underground tanks and that for safety, there is a large loop area for entering and exiting.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15461

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a temporary parking configuration for Gas House Cove Marina, Inc., at the Marina Yacht Harbor.

16. CANDLESTICK PARK
LUXURY SUITES
FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRICES

Approval of 1989 Luxury Box Food and Beverage Prices for the 1989 football season.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this item was heard before the Finance and Administration Committee and is a request to approve the price list from Harry M. Stevens, the food and beverage concessionaire at Candlestick Park, for the 1989 football season. He recommended approval.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that last year he was critical of the quality of the food. He had been assured by Mr. Perry Butler of Savino and Butler (the luxury box caterer) that the quality of food will improve this year.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15462

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1989 Luxury Box Food and Beverage Prices for the 1989 football season.

17. PORTSMOUTH SQUARE GARAGE
MANAGEMENT AUDIT

Approval of contract with Western Parking Services Inc. in the amount of $6,400 to perform a management audit of Portsmouth Square Garage.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained that a Controller's audit was done at Portsmouth Square garage which recommended that the garage should be closed at night. Staff had reached an agreement with the garage operator and neighborhood organizations to keep the garage open at night for a sixty (60) day trial period with a special overnight rate of $6.00. The sixty (60) day trial period has passed and failed miserably. The garage operator has now proposed that an outside management specialist conduct another management audit to review staffing levels, equipment needs, etc., since a specialist has more specific experience than the Controller's Office Audit Division. Ms. Scanlan recommended that $6,400 be set aside to enter into a contract with Western Parking. The garage operator has agreed to abide by the recommendations of this firm.

Commissioner Mori noted that closing the garage at night will save $46,000 annually. He further explained that the management audit will give the Department an overview of the entire operation.

Commissioner Guggenhime also thought that this management study might be beneficial to other garages under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department and could give insight on security and staffing levels.

Paul Newman, representing the Portsmouth Plaza Parking Corporation, endorsed this proposal.

17. PORTSMOUTH SQUARE GARAGE
MANAGEMENT AUDIT (Continued)

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15463

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the contract with Western Parking Services Inc. in the amount of $6,400 to perform a management audit of Portsmouth Square Garage.

18. BEACH CHALET
BEACH CHALET GROUP PROPOSAL

Approval of Presentation of Proposal by Beach Chalet Group.

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained that at the July 6, 1989, Finance and Administration Committee meeting, the Beach Chalet Group submitted a new proposal. The new proposal includes the addition of an element of charitable fundraising to fund a portion of the capital improvements for the Beach Chalet development as well as the equity and loan financing package that had initially been proposed to fund the project. It is their hope that some of the capital improvements can be funded by charitable donations. The Beach Chalet Group has asked for a period of 4-1/2 months to develop funding. The Committee referred this matter to the Commission without recommendation because it did not have sufficient opportunity to review the terms of the package. The Committee asked staff to discuss a number of items of concern and to draft a resolution which included specific considerations. In the event that the Beach Chalet Group is unable to complete the project in 4-1/2 months, staff recommends that the Department retain the $25,000 bid deposit because of the administrative expenses incurred by the Department. The Beach Chalet Group has proposed that if they have raised $200,000 or more in the non-profit funding account with Friends of Recreation and Park, that they be allowed to retain the $25,000 bid deposit.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that although the Finance and Administration Committee had not made a specific recommendation to the Commission, it made it clear that they wanted the Beach Chalet Group to proceed.

Commissioner Mori explained the proposal presented at the Committee meeting contained no deadlines or timetables.

Susan Backman, representing the Beach Chalet Group, was comfortable with the proposal that if the Beach Chalet Group is able to raise $100,000 from charitable fundraising, they would be able to retain the $25,000 bid deposit.

18. **BEACH CHALET**
BEACH CHALET GROUP PROPOSAL (Continued)

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15464

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Presentation of Proposal by Beach Chalet Group.

WHEREAS, this Commission at its meeting of December 15, 1988 resolved that the proposal by the Beach Chalet Group, Inc. was the highest scoring bid for development of a business opportunity at the Beach Chalet and directed staff to negotiate a mutually-acceptable lease with the Group; and

WHEREAS, the Finance & Administration Committee of this Commission at its meeting of March 2, 1989 resolved that the proposed lease terms negotiated by staff with the Beach Chalet Group, Inc. were acceptable, pending completion of the group's financing proposal; and

WHEREAS, this Commission at its meeting of April 20, 1989, resolved to grant the Beach Chalet Group a period of sixty days to present to staff an acceptable financing package or, in the alternative, the resolution states that the bid will be rejected; and

WHEREAS, in July 1989 the time period set forth in the Resolution No. 15348 of April 20, 1989 had elapsed and the Beach Chalet Group, Inc. had not acquired the funds to develop the project; however, the Group presented to the Finance and Administration Committee on July 6, 1989 a plan to restructure the financing plan to include non-profit fundraising for a portion of the capital improvements, together with equity and loan financing for the balance of the project budget, and the Group requested a delay of one hundred forty days to acquire such funding; and

WHEREAS, on July 6, 1989 the Finance and Administration Committee granted the Beach Chalet Group a delay until its meeting of August 3, 1989 to develop this proposal, including specific strategies and funding timeline, and to resubmit the completed proposal; and

WHEREAS, on August 3, 1989 the Group presented a revised proposal to the Finance and Administration Committee which the Committee voted to forward for the consideration of the full Commission without recommendation, in part because the Committee did not have sufficient time to review and consider the proposal thoroughly; and

WHEREAS, the Beach Chalet Group has presented a written proposal for consideration by the Commission and has made an oral presentation of its points to the Commission at its meeting of August 17, 1989, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Commission approves the request of the Beach Chalet Group, Inc. to be allowed a period commencing on August 17, 1989 and ending on January 4, 1990 to acquire funding for the development of a bar and restaurant at the Beach Chalet, with the following conditions:

18. BEACH CHALET
BEACH CHALET GROUP PROPOSAL (Continued)

RES. NO. 15464
(Continued)

1) That by December 15, 1989 a sum not less than Six Hundred Thousand Dollars is on deposit for the account of the Beach Chalet in an account to be established and administered by the Friends of Recreation and Parks, or that definite commitments have been received in writing from donors that such funds will be provided no later than April 30, 1990, and

2) That by December 15, 1989 a sum not less than One Million Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars can be demonstrated to have been acquired by the Beach Chalet Group through equity, leasing and loan financing to fund the project, and

3) That if the total funding goals of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars as set forth above or as otherwise acquired are not met, the proposal of the Beach Chalet Group to develop a bar and restaurant at the Beach Chalet will be rejected; and any sums placed with the Friends of Recreation and Parks for improvement of the Beach Chalet will be retained and will be used by the Department for improvement of the Beach Chalet; and the Beach Chalet Group's bid deposit of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars will be forfeit and will be retained by the Department, except that if funds exceeding One Hundred Thousand Dollars have been placed with the Friends of Recreation and Parks for improvement of the Beach Chalet, then the Beach Chalet Group's bid deposit will be returned to them.

19. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN

Approval of Recreation and Park Department's Affirmative Action Plan for Fiscal Year 1989-90.

Administrative Officer, Personnel, Betty Lim explained that the Mayor has asked City Departments to update and implement departmental affirmative action plans effective 7/1/89. The Mayor had specific concerns that the Department is underutilizing certain minority groups in the professional and skilled crafts classifications since Asians, Hispanics, Filipinos and women are under-represented throughout the Department. Recruitment for Civil Service examinations is within the jurisdiction of the Civil Service Commission and the Personnel Office is working closely with the Equal Employment Opportunity Unit of the Civil Service Commission. Staff has been contacting community agencies about the Civil Service application process.

Minorities are well represented in the Recreation Director classification but not well represented in the skilled crafts classifications. The Department has made a commitment to assist in recruitment and by contacting community based agencies and to use its resources for management training on this topic. Staff plans to provide training on interviewing techniques and advice on how to answer questions in an oral examination. The Department has made a commitment to assist in the resolution of discrimination complaints and will fully cooperate with Civil Service investigators to resolve such complaints.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that she wanted the Commission to be aware of the affirmative action issues and the goals the Department wants to achieve.

19. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PLAN (Continued)

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15465

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Recreation and Park Department's Affirmative Action Plan for Fiscal Year 1989-90.

3:30 pm. the Commission recessed. 3:35 p.m. the Commission reconvened.

20. **SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS**
LEASE AMENDMENT

Consideration of amendment to stadium lease with San Francisco Giants to allow the Giants to convert lease to one year options for the balance of the term of the lease.

Ed McGovern, representing Mayor Art Agnos, explained the Mayor is asking the Commission to approve an amendment to the existing Giants lease at Candlestick Park. Mr. McGovern explained he would provide background information on the stadium proposal and the reasons the Mayor feels a lease amendment is appropriate and necessary before construction of the new ballpark.

Several weeks ago the Mayor reached an agreement with Spectacor Management Group, the nation's leading sports facility management company. This firm operates the Spectrum in Philadelphia, the Superdome in New Orleans and a number of other facilities in the country.

Public Transit. Mr. McGovern displayed a rendering of the northern and eastern waterfront of San Francisco and explained there is a plan to begin construction to widen the Embarcadero and to revitalize the City's waterfront. Part of the Embarcadero plan includes the expansion of two facets of public transportation. Street car lines will be expanded to come to Justin Herman Plaza, to Pier 39 and, thus, will provide direct public transit service from Castro Street to Fisherman's Wharf. In addition, MUNI Metro, currently ending at the Embarcadero Station, will be expanded down the Embarcadero, to the South Beach Housing project, past the ballpark location and eventually end at 16th Street. Traffic Engineers have advised that it will be a seven minute trip from BART onto MUNI Metro to the ballpark location. The CAL Train station which ends at Townsend, will be within walking distance to the ballpark location. The proposed ballpark is very accessible by public transit.

Parking. A major parking analysis has been done for the proposed ballpark site. The Mayor would not move forward with the ballpark proposal unless the City could accommodate anticipated parking for a sell-out crowd at the stadium. A proposed 1500 space parking garage, on site, will service the luxury box users, the Giants, and a select group of fans. At other times, the parking garage will be open to the public. An additional 6500 parking spaces will be available on the dirt lots where the proposed Mission Bay office corridor is scheduled. The Mission Bay Project will not begin construction until 2020 and as construction progresses, the dirt lot areas will be replaced with underground and structured parking. An additional 6500 parking spaces within a 15 minute walk are available, exclusive of residential areas. Therefore, there will be a total of 13,500 parking spaces.

20. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

Financial Aspects. There are four major components to the ballpark proposal:

1) Beginning in 1995 the City will invest $2 million per year, for 10 years in the facility. For that $20 million investment, the City will receive 20% of the net operating profits from the facility for 40 years.

2) The City will make a $1 million per year construction loan to the project for the 10 year period beginning in 1995. This $10 million loan to the project will be repaid with 7-1/2% interest at the end of 40 years, subject to the City renegotiating a management contract for the ballpark for years 41 to 66. At that time, if the City decides that Spectacor Management Group is not an acceptable operator and the City wants to operate the stadium, that $10 million loan will become part of the investment in the facility.

3) There was concern that cost overruns would become a major item in the construction. In an effort to protect the City, the agreement reached by the Mayor is that for each dollar of cost overrun that the City puts in to the stadium, Spectacor Management Group will also put in a $1.00, up to $10 million each. If cost overruns exceed $20 Million, Spectacor will be completely responsible for those cost overruns. This places a financial incentive to keep cost overruns at a minimum.

4) Ownership of the Land. The southern half of the property is owned by the Port of San Francisco and the State of California owns the northern half. The City will acquire property from the State, relocate the tenants and clear the site of toxics, if there are any, by using proceeds from the sale of the surplus City land at the Kirkland Bus yard located at Fisherman's Wharf. The current City policy is to make this area a housing site and there are no plans to change that policy. It is believed that proceeds from this sale will give the City enough money to acquire the ballpark site, clean toxics, and relocate the existing tenants. The land will always remain in City ownership. The improvements will be Spectacor Management Group's for 40 years.

The Mayor wanted to demonstrate to the Giants that the City was earnest and committed to complete this project. The Giants requested that the City, as a demonstration of its good faith, agree to a lease amendment. The amendment changes the current lease to a year-to-year basis if certain conditions are met between now and 1994. If the electorate turns down the November ballot proposition for a new ballpark, the Mayor wants to be able to assist the Giants to relocate in the Bay Area. Also, the lease amendment would allow the Giants to use the new ballpark earlier than 1995 if the construction program proceeds ahead of schedule. There are several "drop dead" dates referenced in this lease amendment. It was the Mayor's intent that there be a work program to reach a number of milestones to enable the Giants to be in their new home by 1995. The owner of the Giants also wanted a commitment from the City that it was earnest and desirous to complete this project in a timely fashion. From the Mayor's point of view, this lease amendment was a demonstration that the City wanted to keep the Giants in San Francisco.

20. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

Mr. McGovern further stated that the conservative estimate for the net operating profit from the ballpark for 40 years will generate $80 Million to the City. He urged the Commission to approve the lease amendment.

Commissioner Mori referenced a particular section in the Second Amendment to the Stadium Lease entitled Project Milestones, Item #15, which speaks to completion of construction of ballpark parking and all traffic and transit improvements by 1/31/95. He asked if the parking garage was considered as part of the $20 Million financial package for the land.

Mr. McGovern explained that the parking garage is considered a separate issue by the City. They are developing a financial package to make the revenue generated from the parking garage and parking taxes pay for the revenue bond debt service. He further explained that the completion date of 1/31/95 for parking and transit improvements is past the current expiration date of the Giants lease and that this "drop dead" date was another component of the good faith effort to continue the ballpark project.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle presented a handout which outlined the revenue projection for the Department if the Giants terminate the lease earlier than 1994. The analysis, for years 1990-94, determined three factors: (1) the loss of revenues if the Giants leave before 1994, (2) reduction of costs since Candlestick Park would only have one tenant, (3) the additional revenues that could be generated through special events.

There would be an annual loss of direct revenue in the amount of $2,696,632 from the Candlestick Park Fund and a reduction in costs of $1,152,587 if the Giants leave prior to 1994. The absence of need for various contractual services such as the cost of conversion of football/baseball field would reduce operating costs at Candlestick Park.

Mr. Prindle detailed $870,000 of potential revenue from Candlestick Park such as three major stadium events, low impact events, special events and commercial filming. As an example, he explained that the Department generated $200,000 from one non-sporting event held at Candlestick Park last year.

Commissioner Ruiz asked what was the most the Department generated in terms of additional revenue from Candlestick Park during any given year. Mr. Prindle explained that the Department made over $300,000 last year from two non-sporting event held at Candlestick Park.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Department is restricted from using Candlestick Park because one of the terms of the current agreement provides that the Giants have access to the field 36 hours before any game. As a consequence, there are a minimum number of days during the good weather season when the stadium is available for rental.

Mr. Prindle explained that the 1989-90 Candlestick Park Fund budget is $10,766,000.

20. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime clarified the point that the Giants could notify the Department by 12/31/89, terminate its lease, and not play at Candlestick Park in 1990. He stated that any new tenant would be willing to pay the legal costs if the Giants broke the lease and left early. He asked the Deputy City Attorney if it was her opinion that the numbers fairly represent the revenues and value of the Giants lease.

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales explained that the City Attorney's office researched what the economic impact to the City would be if the Giants left the lease early. She noted that there would be an economic impact to the City if the Giants left, for example, in terms of name recognition to the City, e.g., "San Francisco Giants".

Mr. Prindle further noted that the Memorandum of Understanding between Spectacor Management Group and the City contains a Conflict of Interest and Non-Competition clause (Paragraph 17) which speaks to the issue of competition between the two stadiums and how the Department may or may not be able to market Candlestick Park. This clause could affect the Department's revenue raising ability.

Stephanie Hedgecoke, representing All Peoples Congress, could not remain at the meeting but left a statement saying that the new stadium is a very poor priority, with all of the crises facing San Francisco citizens.

Joel Ventresca, representing San Franciscans to Improve Candlestick Park, and San Franciscans for Planning Priorities, stated that this lease amendment is for a private special interest and is not in the public's interest if the lease amendment is approved. The Giants could announce on 12/31/89 that they are leaving San Francisco and will never play another season in the City. Without the amendment the Giants organization will be obligated to continue its current lease, play baseball at Candlestick through 1994 and the City would retain a major league baseball team in San Francisco. He felt that Candlestick Park could be made more suitable for baseball in 5 years. Recreation and Park will not have jurisdiction over the new stadium. The issue of allowing the Giants to break their lease is a risk that should not be taken by the Commission. He stated that the public is depending on the Commission to stop this bad deal and urged them to turn down this amendment.

Jack Morrison, representing San Franciscans for Planning Priorities, opposed this proposal, felt that the Giants should stay at Candlestick Park and that the Commission should take every step possible to ensure that they remain there. He urged the Commission to consider the obtrusive size of the ballpark structure itself, 13 stories high on the waterfront. He also stated that the south of Market region will die from traffic strangulation if the stadium is built. Even though the City can mitigate some of the traffic with better public transportation, a majority of the fans come from the peninsula and will drive to the game.

20. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

Jack Morrison (Continued) Mr. Morrison also serves on the Citizens Advisory Committee for Rincon Point-South Beach Redevelopment project and stated that they have been planning a new residential community for 15 years, and another residential community at Mission Bay. The new ballpark would be in the middle of these two residential communities. He further stated that there has been no discussion of damage to the Port of San Francisco. The Port has its maintenance facilities at Pier 46B and the ballpark proposal would cause the demolition of that building. The Port has estimated that the cost will be $7 Million to relocate although Mr. Morrison estimated a figure of $8-10 Million. He further stated that the infrastructure costs directly attributable to the stadium must be considered which will cost San Franciscans scores of millions of dollars. he thought the ballpark was very poor land use planning. He asked that no action be taken until the November election. If the proposition passes, there is plenty of time to change provisions of the lease. He stated that the approval of this item will result in a financial loss to the City of San Francisco. He concluded that the Giants are not homeless and urged the Commission to keep them at Candlestick Park by turning down this proposal.

Ruth Gravanis, a member of San Franciscans for Planning Priorities, stated that she could understand that if a new stadium were to be completed before the 1995 season it would be nice to have the Giants play there but that decision could be made as the time approaches. She felt that none of the other reasons mentioned in the lease amendment or by Mr. McGovern were acceptable reasons to amend the lease. She thought that the Commission should be more concerned about the legality of what was being requested of them today and the fact that the ballot proposition is not accompanied by 3 separate memoranda of understanding which dictates what will happen. She stated that the real effect of this item is to pressure the voters. She was aware that there was pressure to approve this item but quoted from Mayor Art Agnos' book Getting Things Done, "My goal is to recruit the best and brightest women and men in San Francisco to serve as City commissioners...who are capable of participating in the open process I am committed to in government. My commissioners will not be afraid to dissent and debate if they disagree with me on issues."

Margaret Verges, a voter, spokesperson for the Presidio Avenue Association of Concerned Neighbors, and liaison for the Bayview Neighborhood Council on Toxic Issues, explained that the Bayview neighborhood has worked 15 years to improve the area around Candlestick Park. She stated that the Bayview neighborhood also has dreams of a BART station, improved transportation to bring more facilities to the area, and the creation of businesses to benefit the community with jobs. She noted that Mr. Lurie has been threatening to leave for many years. She explained that instead of endorsing the voting process where the voters can go to the polls with an open mind, the Commission was giving away that right, which, in her opinion, was a violation of the moral trust vested in the Commission. She stated that the Commission's vested interest is the City of San Francisco and to let the voters have their choice. She urged the Commission to consider the Bayview neighborhood, its priorities. She believed that she owned a piece of the Commission's trust.

20. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

Commissioner Ruiz stated that one of the statements made during public testimony discussed the height of the new ballpark. He asked Mr. McGovern to clarify the height of the new stadium.

Mr. McGovern explained that an element of the ballot proposition asks the voter to approve an amendment to the height limit along the waterfront from 40' to up to 150'. He further noted that the proposed housing project will contain 14-story tower structures.

General Manager Mary Burns explained there is one more point that needs to be addressed regarding the issue of scheduling other events at Candlestick Park when the new ballpark is built. Section 17 in the Memorandum of Understanding with Spectacor Management Group discusses conflict of interests. She wanted the Commission to understand that the Department will have to work cooperatively with Spectacor Management Group and its facility in not competing against each other to the detriment of the City.

Mr. McGovern explained that Ms. Burns was correct that part of the Memorandum of Understanding pertains to a non-competition issue. He stated that this item was heavily debated during the negotiation process. It was Spectacor Management Group's desire that there would be no competition between the City and their facility. The Mayor said that was not agreeable to him but that he understood their desire to be able to maximize revenues at their facility and the City being able to maximize revenues at its facility. The agreement reached was to discuss further and reach an agreement on competition between the two stadia. The goal is to maximize revenues at Candlestick and at the same time maximize revenues at the new ballpark. Because the City will not earn as much money from Candlestick it will be getting 20% of the profits from the new ballpark.

Commissioner Mori explained that he firmly believed that the Giants will leave in 1994 if they do not have a new facility. He stated that there have been problems with the stadium for many years. He felt the figures presented by the Finance Director were a good analysis. He believed that by approving this item the Commission was making an opportunity to keep professional baseball in San Francisco. He urged the Commission to support this item.

Commissioner O'Connor concurred with Commissioner Mori. She felt that Mr. Lurie was not making idle threats and felt that the ballot measure to improve Candlestick was not a solution. San Francisco clearly wants a baseball team and so do many other cities. She also noted that many other cities would be willing to pay off any legal costs incurred by the Giants. She thought the agreement was an exciting, workable agreement, and thought it was in the Commission's best interest to approve it.

Commissioner Harris said he reviewed the figures and felt it was a good deal for the City and was well put together. The City was obtaining an extraordinary management firm in Spectacor Management Group and felt they would bring revenue to the City.

20. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that one cannot force the Giants to stay in San Francisco or play baseball in the City. The figure of $7.5 Million over a 5 year period was the worst case. He thought that special events could be fruitful. He thought that residential areas and stadiums can co-exist. He noted that the Department could renovate Candlestick Park with additional seating which would allow the City to bid for a future Superbowl. He thought that baseball was very important to the City and strongly supported the proposal.

Commissioner McAteer stated that she loved baseball, and fondly recollected Seal Stadium. She liked the concept of what was proposed for China Basin and felt the City was moving in the right direction in enhancing that area. She was tired of hearing that the Giants did not like Candlestick Park.

On motion of Commissioner Mori, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15466

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an amendment to stadium lease with San Francisco Giants to convert the lease to one year options for the balance of the term of the lease.

5:15 p.m. to 5:55 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session to discuss Items #21, 22, and 23.

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21. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Approval of the settlement of the unlitigated claim of Lynn Slade. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session to discuss potential litigation regarding these matters.)

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15467

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the settlement of the unlitigated claim of Lynn Slade.

22. LAKE MERCED BOATHOUSE RESTAURANT
TERMINATION OF LEASE

Consideration whether to terminate Lake Merced Boathouse lease for violation of anti assignment clause of the lease. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

22. **LAKE MERCED BOATHOUSE RESTAURANT**
TERMINATION OF LEASE (Continued)

Park Property Management Supervisor Lucinda Pope Scanlan explained that a lengthy negotiation and settlement had just been concluded with Mirage Investments, the tenant at the Lake Merced Boathouse restaurant. Subsequent to this settlement agreement, the tenant advised staff that they were considering selling the business and were in negotiation with a prospective buyer. Staff advised the tenant of the criteria to assign the lease as well as the procedure to apply to the Commission for permission for such an assignment. Recently, it became apparent that someone, other than Mirage, was operating the Lake Merced Boathouse restaurant. Staff contacted Mirage for an explanation. Staff has ascertained that during the period of negotiation with the Department, Mirage Investments was also negotiating the sale of the lease, and that the sale of the lease was consummated on 5/22/89. On 8/15/89 a proposal was received from the tenant to assign the lease. The City Attorney's Office has advised that discussion of the staff recommendation regarding this matter should take place in closed session.

President Eickman noted that last month the Commission approved a change in ownership from Mirage Investments to "Row, Row, Row, Your Boat".

Ms. Scanlan explained that the change noted by President Eickman was a partial ownership change that took effect in 1987. It was the sale of 35% of equity in the business from the original group of four partners.

Ted Bayer, the attorney representing Mirage Investments, stated that he became involved in negotiations in this matter in September of 1988. Row, Row, Row, Your Boat, is a separate corporation in which the principals of the tenant are involved. It was his understanding that even though the lease was in the name of Mirage Investments, that Row, Row, Row, Your Boat has always made rental payments to the Recreation and Park Department and that the liquor license is also in the name of Row, Row, Row Your Boat.

Mr. Bayer has reviewed the records of Ms. Deborah Tripp, the representative for Mirage Investments, and found that in 8/88, a formal written request was made to assign the lease from Mirage, to Row, Row, Your Boat. During the course of negotiations, Ms. Tripp mentioned that Mirage had a tentative buyer for the boathouse, and indicated that the buyer was possibly going to be changing the theme of the business at Lake Merced. There are also letters dated 5/10 and 5/19 from Ms. Tripp to Ms. Scanlan which discuss the prospective buyer.

Commissioner Mori explained that the item under discussion is the assignment of the lease not the transfer of ownership of the lease. He wondered why the Department and Commission were in negotiations with Mirage when the assignment of the lease had taken place in May.

Mr. Bayer explained that negotiations began last Fall and that even though the lease had not been transferred the liquor license was in the name of Row, Row, Row, Your Boat since 1987.

22. LAKE MERCED BOATHOUSE RESTAURANT
TERMINATION OF LEASE (Continued)

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales explained that the assignment from Mirage to Row, Row, Row Your Boat is different from the new assignment under discussion. Mirage Investments was upfront about the fact that they wanted the Row, Row, Row Your Boat assignment and it was clear that the four Mirage Investments principals would be majority stockholders of Row, Row, Row Your Boat corporation and would operate the premises. This second assignment was not conducted in the same manner and that although there were suggestions of a possible sale of the business, the Department was not informed that a transfer of the business had been consummated or was such a transaction discusssed during settlement negotiations. The Commission is disturbed about this assignment and believes there has been a violation of the anti assignment clause of the lease. Nevertheless, the Commission wants to act reasonably in this matter and has instructed staff to review the proposed assignment without waiving its right to pursue the breach of the lease under the anti assignment clause. The Commission has other conditions which must be satisfied and Ms. Rosales would outline those conditions in private session with Mirage Investments.

23. PON & HOM AGREEMENT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of agreement with Pon and Hom, pursuant to Controller's Audit. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales explained that this matter has been calendared for many months. The Finance and Administration Committee expressed concern that negotiations were not going forward and asked for a summary. Ms. Rosales indicated to the concessionaire that she thought the Commission's good will was waning. When the dispute first arose, Gordon Lau was counsel for the tenant. An offer was made to the City which was considered in closed session. Further instructions were given to the City Attorney and staff to continue to finalize that offer. Subsequent to that meeting, Robert McCarthy, became counsel for the tenant, who asked to meet with Sam Yockey, the Controller and Louise Renne, the City Attorney. Mr. McCarthy, is associated with Henry Wykowski, who will represent the tenant as its trial lawyer, should the matter go to trial. Ms. Rosales feels that they are close to a deal on the financial issues but that Mr. McCarthy has raised other specifics that need further analysis. There is a concern by the tenant that the methodology used by the Controller's Office may not be accurate and there is discussion about obtaining independent experts to review the figures. Ms. Rosales felt the tenant has acted in good faith, and did not perceive them to be deliberately dragging their feet. She hoped the matter could be resolved before the September Commission Meeting. She noted that the City Attorney's Office has spent 20-30 hours on this matter.

23. PON & HOM AGREEMENT
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT (Continued)

Henry Wykowski, representing Mr. Fong and Pon and Hom, explained that he has been associated with this item in the event there is not a resolution and the matter goes to trial. He noted that it would be unfortunate if this matter went to litigation but noted that it is just as unfortunate that the good faith settlement offers which have been made, through Mr. McCarthy, have not been accepted. He stated that every time an offer is made, there has been an increase in demand by the Finance Division. He explained that Mr. McCarthy asked him to evaluate the case to determine if it went to trial whether or not it was defensible case. Mr. Wykowski felt that the methodology used in arriving at the audit figures was not accurate and met with Deputy City Attorneys Buck Delventhal and Mara Rosales about this matter. He suggested seeking the advice of another accountant in an effort to resolve this matter.

Commissioner Guggenhime thought that the matter was moving satisfactorily.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle commented that he disagreed with the statement made by Mr. Wykowski regarding settlement offers made to the Finance Division.

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales explained that the Commission believes the tenant is in violation of the lease, including but not limited to the anti assignment clause, has made the tenant well aware of its concern of the violations, and is prepared to go to court on the matter. However, the Commission is prepared to consider future negotiations toward a settlement and has instructed staff and the City Attorney to pursue settlement negotiations. If settlement negotiations are not fruitful by the date of the next Commission meeting, the Commission has instructed the City Attorney's Office to file suit against Pon and Hom and Mr. Fong.

24. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1989-1990 BUDGET

Presentation on the Recreation and Park Department Budget for 1989-1990.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

25. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No Public Comment was received.

26. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President reported that:

- the Board of Supervisors has asked the Commission to reconsider the placement of a plaque in Washington Square to honor Juana Briones.
- Supervisor Hsieh has sent the Sharp Park Rifle Range closure to the Public Works Committee of the Board of Supervisors for hearing on September 19, 1989.
- The sister of Tom Malloy was touched by the condolence letter sent by the Commission.

27. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of August 2, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of August 3, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of August 3, 1989
Recreation and Program Committee Meeting of August 9, 1989

28. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of President Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Joe Mazzola, Business Manager of the Plumbers Union, Local #38, who recently passed away.

On motion of Vice President McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Rod Corbett, a long time employee of the Recreation and Park Department who passed away suddenly last month.

There being no further business, the 638th Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

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SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1989 - 4:45 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, September 21, 1989, at 5:15 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Trent Orr
Absent:
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. **JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA**
PROHIBITION OF SKATEBOARDING

Clarification of Resolution #15106, adopted June 16, 1988, prohibiting skateboarding at Justin Herman Plaza, to allow professional exhibition of skateboarding at Justin Herman Plaza.

Assistant Superintendent for Cultural Division Peter Ashe explained that the Commission recently granted permission for the Urban Fair to conduct its 3 day affair at Justin Herman Plaza subject to the policy of prohibition of machinery on park property. The problem that warrants the Commission consideration is the prohibition of skateboarding at Justin Herman Plaza. Last year, the Urban Fair conducted a professional skateboarding exhibition as part of its event and would like to do so again for this year's Fair. The request is to amend the Commission resolution prohibiting skateboarding at Justin Herman Plaza and to allow professional skateboarding in a controlled area.

2. **JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA**
PROHIBITION OF SKATEBOARDING (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15497

RESOLVED, That this Commission clarifies Resolution #15106, adopted 6/16/88, to allow professionally conducted skateboard exhibitions at Justin Herman Plaza. The Commission shall consider such skateboard exhibition requests on a case-by-case basis.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

At this time members of the public may address the Commissions on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

ACTION: No public comment was received

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

639TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Thirty-Ninth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, September 21, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

President welcomed Trent Orr, the newly appointed member of the Recreation and Park Commission, who was sworn in on August 23, 1989.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (noted present at 2:05 p.m.)
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 17, 1989 were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 7, 1989 were approved as presented.

2:05 p.m. Commissioner Guggenhime arrived at the meeting.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary Burns submitted the following report:

"STADIUM LEASE AMENDMENT AGREEMENT

On Wednesday, September 20, the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors approved the lease amendment agreement with the Giants as recommended by the Mayor. This agreement as you will recall from last month's meeting allows the team to leave Candlestick early if voters reject the stadium plan in November or if a series of deadlines to build a new stadium is not met. The proposal will be forwarded to the full Board of Supervisors on Monday, September 25.

SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE

On Tuesday, September 19, the Public Works Committee held a hearing at the request of Supervisors Hsieh and Maher on the closing of the Sharp Park Rifle Range. The Committee is recommending to the full Board that the Mayor request that the Recreation and Park Commission reconsider its decision and hold an additional public hearing on this matter. You may want to contact members of the Board to discuss your position prior to their meeting on Monday.

GLEN CANYON PROPERTY ACQUISITION

Last year the Open Space Advisory Committee turned down a request to acquire property adjacent to O'Shaughnessy Blvd. across from Glen Canyon Park. The community recently requested the Board of Supervisors to adopt a resolution urging the Advisory Committee and the Recreation and Park Commission to change its decision and acquire this property. This resolution will be heard before the full Board of Supervisors on Monday, September 25.

MAYOR'S HOMELESS PLAN

The Mayor's Office has asked that a member of the Recreation and Park Commission participate in the Joint Commission hearing on his draft plan to combat homelessness. The hearing will be held in the Board of Supervisor's Chambers on Wednesday, September 27, 6:00 p.m. Members of the Health, Social Services, Housing Authority, and Redevelopment Commissions will also participate. Commissioner Connie O'Connor will represent the Recreation and Park Commission.

OPEN SPACE TOUR ON OCTOBER 7

The Open Space Advisory Committee will again go on its annual tour of possible sites to be funded under the 1990-91 Open Space Program. This tour will take place on Saturday, October 7, from 9:00 - 3:00 p.m. The bus will leave from McLaren Lodge, and I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to view first-hand potential Open Space sites. Please notify Shauna Rose if you plan to attend.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

"CONSERVATION CONNECTION" AT ZOO OCTOBER 6 - 9

"Conservation Connection," a four-day environmental fair, will be held at the Zoo on October 6 - 9. This is a new event for our Zoo, and the fair will highlight what each of us can do to protect the environment and save animals from extinction. More than 20 conservation organizations will join the San Francisco Zoo and Zoological Society to show what is being done in the Bay Area, nationwide and internationally to protect the environment. During the fair visitors can pick up a passport at the Zoo gates and play the Endangered Species game -- answer questions about endangered animals and get their passport validated with animal stamps. In the Wildlife Theater, visitors can meet Zoomobile animals and learn about wildlife during animal presentations.

"Conservation Connection" is sponsored by Oracle Corporation, the San Francisco Zoo, and the Zoological Society.

SUMMER PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

The Recreation and Park Department 1989 Summer Program brochure which was distributed to all public school children had a significant impact on the number of participants in our summer programs. An increase in attendance of 10% to 20% occurred in some programs, and up to 62% in others. Tiny Tot classes, Kids Gym, Arts and Crafts, Trampoline and Baseball classes all showed an increase in enrollment. All the Adventure Day Camps were filled to capacity.

PLAYMOBILE

Through a generous donation from Friends of Recreation and Parks, the Recreation Division has now reactivated its popular Playmobile. This is a mobile recreation center which allows recreation programs to be taken directly to areas that normally would not have access to these programs. It contains equipment for volleyball and baseball, table games, video games, a trampoline, and many other popular activities for all the youth to enjoy.

Plans are now underway to organize a community-involvement day at Garfield Playground where the Playmobile will officially be dedicated. You will be notified of the date and time of this event.

COMPLETED CAPITAL PROJECTS

Golden Gate Park Beach Chalet Soccer Field expansion has been completed. The Clean Water Program provided funding for this project which adds another soccer pitch to this heavily-used area and enables staff to rotate field use and in turn improves maintenance of the field.

Alice Chalmers Fieldhouse expansion has been completed and the entire facility has been rehabilitated. The community room was doubled in size; a new kitchen and handicapped restroom were constructed inside the Clubhouse; the exterior restrooms were substantially rehabilitated. Officers from the Alice Chalmers Senior Group participated at weekly meetings during the construction process and helped to keep the community involved as the project progressed. I will let you know when the opening reception is scheduled.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

MISSION POOL REHABILITATION

Work began on Mission pool yesterday, September 20. The entire pool is being replaced and a new solar heating system will be installed. The work schedule indicates that the pool will be ready for the regular summer swimming session next year.

ARBORETUM DIRECTOR TO SPEAK AT CONFERENCE

Wald Valen, Arboretum Director, has been asked to speak at the 1989 Master Gardener's Conference in Portland, Oregon, on October 12th. He will be giving a slide presentation on the unique plant collections of our botanical gardens.

NEW INTERPRETATIVE SIGNAGE AT ARBORETUM

New interpretative signage has been installed at the lakes in the Arboretum. The signage describes the various birds that visit the gardens and was a joint venture of the Arboretum Society and Golden Gate Chapter of the Audubon Society. In addition, 17 sand-blasted wooden signs describing the various collections have been installed around the gardens. These signs were funded through a grant received from the Institute of Museum Services.

COMMUNITY FORUM ON PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION ISSUES IN GOLDEN GATE PARK

A community forum to discuss commuter parking regulations in Golden Gate Park and other transportation issues has been scheduled for Thursday, October 5, 7:00 p.m., County Fair Building. The forum will provide an opportunity for the community to comment on commuter parking regulations, and voice opinions relative to other traffic and transportation matters in Golden Gate Park. A background paper prepared for the forum is attached.

RETIREMENTS

Warren Suen	3417 Gardener	30 years
Edward Chow	2708 Custodian	15 years
Milton Macklin	3284 Recreation Director	24 years
Richard Abrahamsen	7355 Truck Driver	15 years

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday, September 26, 1989	Reception for Jeff Mori, 5-7 p.m., General Manager's Office, McLaren Lodge
Thursday, October 5, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, October 5, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Monday, October 9, 1989	Columbus Day Holiday
Tuesday, October 10, 1989	Joint Meeting - Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission, 3:00 p.m., Main Library, Commission Room
Friday, October 13, 1989	Recreation and Park Department Columbus Day Lunch, 12 noon Stern Grove Club House
Saturday, October 14, 1989	Family Day Picnic, 9:30 - 4:00 p.m., Oceanview Park (Capitol and Montana)"

General Manager Mary Burns explained, in response to President Eickman's query, that the 10/10/89 Joint Meeting with City Planning is scheduled at the suggestion of the Chief Administrative Officer, City Planning and Port Commission, and is a proposal for a significant park around the waterfront area which is partly owned by the Port and partly under private ownership. The hearing will consider the preliminary design concept for the park as well as appropriate funding from the Downtown Open Space Fund, which is jointly administered by the Recreation and Park and City Planning Commissions, for the development of that park.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that Item 4k (System Parking of California - Rent Credit), is a request to approve an additional rent credit to System Parking for a total rent credit of $10,000, to develop conceptual drawings for a merchandise concession at Union Square. The estimates for the drawings have been more than the original rent credit of $5,000 which is why the additional rent credit was requested.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)**

a. **Personnel Matters** — **RES. NO. 15469**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period August 3, 1989 through September 6, 1989.

b. **SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00** — **RES. NO. 15470**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Isidora Bagood	$ 63.38
Bart Borg	166.50
Lynne Braverman	492.00
Robert Chen	410.60
Peter DeGregorio	94.38
Terry Evola	351.45
Evvers Guevara	260.00
Garrett Kine	397.25
Tisa Micheli	64.00
Wanda Mouser	498.41
George Olvera	225.00
Bradley Padgett	231.74
Leslie Pipkin	180.00
Subijana Praxedes	72.00
Harold M. Pyle	120.00
Richard Richmond	41.80
Bjorn Vanberg	172.00
Viacom Cablevision	259.78

c. **SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS OVER $500.00** — **RES. NO. 15471**

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the following litigated & unlitigated claims:

Litigated Claim:		
	Tae Jae Yong	$ 750.00
Unlitigated Claims:		
	Cen Cal Insurance	$ 526.61
	Wanda Wilson	$6,250.00
	Geo. E. Cherrie, Jr.	$1,275.20
	Marie Antunez	$3,583.77

d. **MISSION SWIMMING POOL AWARD OF CONTRACT** — **RES. NO. 15472**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the award of contract to Blue Dolphin Pools and approves the budget in the amount of $297,105.00, for the reconstruction of Mission Swimming Pool.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)**

e. **MICHELANGELO PLAYGROUND** — **RES. NO. 15473**
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the modification of contract to Cuevas-Mannion Construction, in the amount of $35,000.00, for the Michelangelo Playground project.

f. **GOLDEN GATE PARK BAND** — **RES. NO. 15474**
PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the personal services contract with Robert Hansen for operation of the Golden Gate Park Band for fiscal year 1989-90.

g. **GOLF DIVISION** — **RES. NO. 15475**
EQUIPMENT SUBSTITUTION

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the equipment substitution for Golf Division as shown below:

	From:		
42078Y	Cushman w/Dumpster	3	$36,000
42110Y	Toro Mower #33787	1	$50,000
Total		4	$86,000
	To:		
42078Y	Cushman Turf Truckster	3	$36,000
NEW	Toro Reelmaster, 108	3	$39,000
NEW	Trailer	1	$ 3,000
NEW	Metermatic	1	$ 7,000
Total		8	$85,000

h. **CAMP MATHER** — **RES. NO. 15476**
STRAWBERRY MUSIC, INC.
RENT CREDIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the rent credit in the amount of $3,535.69 to Strawberry Music, Inc., for purchase and installation of new walk-in cooler in Camp Mather Store.

i. **JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA** — **RES. NO. 15477**
GEOTECHNICAL BORINGS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from Municipal Railway to perform two geotechnical borings to complete geotechnical and engineering services for a project east of MUNI Embarcadero Station and in Justin Herman Plaza.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR** (Continued)

j. **SAN FRANCISCO SOCIETY OF FINE ARTS** **RES. NO. 15478**
TWO-DAY ART SHOWS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request by San Francisco Society of Fine Arts and Artist Guild of San Francisco to reserve Washington Square, Union Square and Hoover Redwood Grove on specified dates in September, October and November of 1989 for art shows.

k. **SYSTEM PARKING OF CALIFORNIA** **RES. NO. 15479**
RENT CREDIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the additional rent credit with System Parking of Northern California, Inc. not to exceed $5,000.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS**
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Interim Zoo Director Phil Arnold explained that this item is a correction of a clerical error in the dollar amount for the July 20, 1989 animal transaction which should have read $8,400 instead of $8,700.

On recommendation of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15480

RESOLVED, That this Commission corrects the following animal transaction for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens which was adopted on July 20, 1989, by Resolution No. 15423:

SOLD TO: Northland Wildlife Inc.
2601 E. Highway 169
Grand Rapids, MN 55744
USDA #41-B-101

Four (4) male and two (2) female llamas valued at $8,700. This animal transaction sale should have read $8,400.

6. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
STRYBING ARBORETUM & BOTANICAL GARDENS
INSTALLATION OF BANNERS

Approval to mount signs/banners at front entrance and north entrance of the Strybing Arboretum & Botanical Gardens announcing free guided garden walks.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that this item is a request to install temporary banners at the Arboretum entrances to advertise the free walks and tours offered at the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens. Staff feels that use of the banners will increase attendance for such events. Ms. Burns further stated that these banners are temporary until a permanent large event sign is installed in front of the Arboretum.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15481

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to mount signs/banners at front entrance and north entrance of the Strybing Arboretum & Botanical Gardens announcing free guided garden walks.

7. **McLAREN PARK**
LaGRANDE STANDPIPE

Approval of the request of the San Francisco Water Department to fence and paint the LaGrande standpipe located in McLaren Park.

Assistant Superintendent for Neighborhood Parks and Squares Ron deLeon explained that this item is a request from the San Francisco Water Department to fence and paint the pressure standpipe located in McLaren Park. This item was approved at the Committee level with the request that when the Arts Commission reviews this matter it consider the appropriate color for the standpipe to conform with the surrounding area and that it also review the design of the fence.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15482

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the San Francisco Water Department to fence and paint the LaGrande standpipe located in McLaren Park.

8. DOLPHIN SWIMMING & BOATING CLUB SIGNAGE
SAN FRANCISCO BAY CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Approval of the request to place signage on the Dolphin Swimming and Boating Club building giving the history, information on the club, public access information and information on how members of the public can gain use of the club, in accordance with the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission.

Park Property Manager Robin Burgstahler explained that this request is from the Dolphin Club, as part of its renovation project, to install signage and information regarding public access. Currently, there are two Commission resolutions and a court case governing the days the Aquatic Park facilities (Dolphin Club and South End Rowing Club) are to be open to the public. Staff has asked both clubs to discuss the concept of opening the club(s) to the public seven days a week. Staff has also asked the City Attorney to review the court case and advise the Department as to the number of days the clubs should be open to the public. Both clubs have expressed interest in being open to the public daily to satisfy the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission's stipulation and to stimulate membership.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15483

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to place signage on the Dolphin Swimming and Boating Club building giving the history, information on the club, public access information and information on how members of the public can gain use of the club, in accordance with the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission.

9. GOLDEN GATE PARK
CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
"RUN TO THE FAR SIDE V" ROAD CLOSURES

Approval of the request for road closures from RhodyCo Productions on behalf of the California Academy of Sciences to stage the fifth annual "Run to the Far Side V in Golden Gate Park on Sunday, November 26, 1989.

Assistant Superintendent for Cultural Division Peter Ashe explained that the Parks and Planning Committee considered this matter and reviewed all routes of the race. The race is scheduled to start at 8:30 a.m.

Dave Rhody, representing Rhody Co Productions, explained that his firm will notify the public of the road closures, through the media, public service announcements, and working with organizations which may be impacted by the road closures. Additionally, RhodyCo plans to post signage on the road closure areas 72 hours in advance of the race. The Academy of Sciences has contacted other institutions in Golden Gate Park of this race who are cooperative and supportive of the event.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

9. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
"RUN TO THE FAR SIDE V" ROAD CLOSURES

RES. NO. 15484

RESOLVED, That this Commission, approves the road closures for the California Academy of Sciences fifth annual "Run to the Far Side V in Golden Gate Park on Sunday, November 26, 1989.

10. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
SAVE-A-LIFE SATURDAY
PARKING REQUEST

Approval to provide up to 300 free parking passes to the Prehospital Research and Training for volunteers conducting community CPR training at Candlestick Park on Saturday, September 23, 1989.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item provides 300 free parking passes for volunteers conducting CPR training at Candlestick Park prior to the Saturday, September 23, 1989 baseball game. Approval of this request will result in a $1500 loss of parking revenues to the Department.

General Manager Mary Burns noted that in line with the recent policy not to grant waiver of fees, the Department has asked that an in-kind contribution of CPR training be afforded to the Department in exchange of the 300 free parking passes.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15485

RESOLVED, That this Commission shall provide up to 300 free parking passes to the Prehospital Research and Training for volunteers conducting community CPR training at Candlestick Park on Saturday, September 23, 1989.

11. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
PARKING POLICY

Approval of a resolution to restrict parking in the Candlestick Parking lot to one (1) space per vehicle and limiting tailgating to the space in which the patron's vehicle is parked or other designated areas.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item received approval from the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and is a compromise resolution for tailgating at Candlestick Park. Mr. Lind has been working with the 49ers, Giants, and the Police Department on the tailgating issue and proposed a policy which would restrict individuals from having barbecues in a stall adjacent to their parked vehicle and would restrict them from purchasing extra spaces to tailgate or to reserve spaces. The 49ers and Giants will have public relation oriented personnel in the parking lot asking people if they would move their barbecue equipment to allow a car to park in the stall. The Police Department has requested that the Commission adopt a formal policy in case problems develop from people being asked to move their barbecue equipment.

11. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
PARKING POLICY (Continued)

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15486

WHEREAS, There is limited availability of parking at Candlestick Park and that this has been a consistent problem during baseball games, football games and special events, and

WHEREAS, This Commission and the primary tenants of Candlestick Park wish to continue to allow the practice of tailgating to occur prior to and after sporting events; and

WHEREAS, This Commission and the primary tenants of Candlestick Park wish to make available, to the stadium patrons, the largest number of convenient parking spaces possible; and

WHEREAS, This Commission, the San Francisco Giants, the San Francisco Forty-Niners, and the San Francisco Police Department have all agreed that this Commission policy is the appropriate method of insuring adequate parking for all patrons; Now, Therefore Be It

RESOLVED, That the following policy shall become effective, this date and shall supersede the parking policy adopted by this Commission on October 16, 1986:

While parking at Candlestick Park, patrons are restricted to one marked parking stall per vehicle. The use of parking stalls for picnics, barbecues, tailgating or any other recreational purpose is restricted to the paid stall in which the patrons vehicle is parked or any other area area(s) designated by the Recreation and Park Department or lessee of the stadium.

No person shall restrict parking in marked parking stalls by either reserving parking stalls for future use or by otherwise utilizing stalls for purposes other than vehicular parking without the consent of the Recreation and Park Department or the lessee of the stadium.

12. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
REAPPROPRIATION OF UNSPENT FUNDS

Approval to reappropriate $313,000 in unspent capital funds from the Candlestick parking lot repaving project to the Candlestick renovation project, to be used for repairs to the stadium escalators.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item received approval from the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, is a request to reappropriate $313,000 in unspent funds from an account set up to repave the parking lot and to transfer it to a fund which will be used to repair the stadium escalators. The repair work will be done between baseball and football seasons and will refurbish the escalators over three years. Mr. Lind noted that the repair work will be the first major reconditioning of the escalators since installation and will bring the escalators up to code and make them safer.

12. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
REAPPROPRIATION OF UNSPENT FUNDS (Continued)

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15487

RESOLVED, That this Commission reappropriates $313,000 in unspent capital funds from the Candlestick parking lot repaving project to the Candlestick renovation project, to be used for repairs to the stadium escalators.

13. **SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS**
CANDLESTICK PARKING LOT AGREEMENT

Final approval of the San Francisco Giants Candlestick Park parking lot agreement.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this item is the finalized agreement with the San Francisco Giants for the operation of the parking lot. The Commission previously conceptually approved the one-year agreement and he recommended approval.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that in addition to the Giants paying 5% of the operating profits as compensation for operation of the lot, there is an issue regarding VIP parking spaces.

Mr. Prindle stated that under a separate agreement, the Giants were given control over 650 spaces in the preferred lot to market their season ticket holders. He further stated that the Giants will still retain that preferred parking lot area and that the VIP parking spaces are not part of this particular agreement.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15488

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the San Francisco Giants Candlestick Park parking lot agreement.

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Commissioner Guggenhime discussed his concern regarding the parking lots at Candlestick Park. He stated that the Police Department has asked that the outlining lots not be opened until the main lot is full. Evidently, the operator has been opening the outside lots earlier which has created traffic problems.

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14. CANDLESTICK PARK
USAGE AGREEMENT
PRACTICAL PRODUCTIONS, INCORPORATED

Approval of agreement with Practical Productions, Incorporated, for the use of the Candlestick parking lot for a series of automobile related trade/consumer shows.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item is a proposed agreement for 20-25 events to be held at Candlestick Park over the next five years. The agreement provides that 4-5 events be held next year with four options to renew over the next four years. The entire event will take place in the parking lot and gate plaza areas. Practical Productions, Inc. (PPI), will produce a series of automobile related events such as a trade show for individual buyers/sellers to buy/sell individual cars while also offering an entertainment feature such as a classic car show. The parking lot will be divided with cars under $1,000 in one location, types of cars in an another area, smog inspection areas, financing services, etc., on site. The contract provides a minimum rent of $10,000 per event versus 10% of the gross receipts for both admission prices and car registration fees. There is a cap of $30,000 in the first year which will increase $5,000 per year over the term of the contract. In addition, the Department will receive 50% of the profits from the concessions and 15% of the gross sales from merchandise.

Mr. Lind noted that this agreement contains a clause which states that the client will work with the neighborhood in the promotion of this event, to use youth groups and non-profit organizations in aspects of this event, such as washing cars, etc.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15489

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an agreement with Practical Productions, Incorporated, for the use of the Candlestick parking lot for a series of automobile related trade/consumer shows.

15. CANDLESTICK PARK
USAGE AGREEMENT
MICKEY THOMPSON ENTERTAINMENT GROUP

Approval of agreement with the Mickey Thompson Entertainment Group for the use of Candlestick Park for an off-road vehicle event on Saturday, October 28, 1989.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item which received approval from the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, is a contract for an event at Candlestick Park, to hold an off road vehicle race. This type of event was recently held at Mile High Stadium and attracted over 30,000 people. The event will necessitate building a track around the field. The contract provides $10,000 minimum rent to the Department versus 6% of the gross receipts, whichever amount is greater. In addition, if the gross receipts reach $250,000, the Department will retain an additional 4% of the gross receipts as a deposit for a future

15. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
USAGE AGREEMENT
MICKEY THOMPSON ENTERTAINMENT GROUP (Continued)

event at Candlestick Park. If Mickey Thompson Entertainment Group chooses to produce a future event at a facility other than Candlestick Park the Department would retain that deposit. The agreement also contains an option to cancel prior to 9/28/89 if their advertising budget exceeds their projection.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15490

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an agreement with the Mickey Thompson Entertainment Group for the use of Candlestick Park for an off-road vehicle event on Saturday, October 28, 1989.

4:00 p.m. Commissioner Ruiz left the meeting.

16. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS
RENT CREDIT

Approval of a rent credit to the San Francisco 49ers not to exceed $50,000, for the purchase of K-Rails to be used in the operation of the Candlestick Parking lot.

Director of Stadium Operations John Lind explained that this item received approval from the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and is a request for the Department to purchase 2300 linear feet of barricades, K-Rails, used to divide the parking lot. He clarified the point that the rent credit is in the amount of $50,700 rather than the calendared dollar figure of $50,000. This 49er request is to divide the parking lot from the pre-paid parking area. Since the Commission required that the 49ers limit the number of pre-paid parking offered, this expense was a result of that requirement. It was Mr. Lind's recommendation that the rent credit be granted because the equipment would be property of the Department and could be used in the production of other events at Candlestick Park.

Mr. Prindle noted that he was in the process of finalizing the lease amendment with the 49ers. That lease amendment will authorize the $75,000 for the striping of the parking lot and this rent credit. Both of these items will be contained in the lease amendment and will require approval from the Board of Supervisors.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15491

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a rent credit to the San Francisco 49ers not to exceed $50,700, for the purchase of K-Rails to be used in the operation of the Candlestick Parking lot.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Orr, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

17. **HAIGHT ASHBURY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**
KEZAR RECYCLING CENTER
PERMIT

Approval of Permit with Haight-Ashbury Neighborhood Council for operation of Recycling Center at Kezar.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that this was one of the items approved in the budget process, and requires that the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council provide the Department with a $3,000 gift to the Department for use of the park property as a recycling center. He recommended approval.

President Eickman noted that the $3,000 dollar figure was very different than from the original staff projection of $25,000.

Mr. Prindle explained that the $3,000 figure was based on financial figures. He noted that the Department retains the right to audit the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council's financial statements.

Kevin Drew, the manager of the recycling center, thanked the staff for negotiating a resolution to this matter.

Carol Glossenger, representing the Cole Valley Improvement Association, stated that the recycling center has been improperly managed. There has been an enormous amount of materials, much noise, and trash not related to a recycling center. She was pleased to see that there will be screening of the facility from public view but felt this organization was not qualified to operate the center. She considered the $3,000 fee to be nothing and felt the recycling center should be put out of bid. She noted that the center is in the middle of the Kezar renovation project and the new housing development and needed to be cleaned. She urged that the matter be postponed so that the fee could be reconsidered.

President Eickman stated that he was of the opinion that when the stadium is completed the recycling center will have to improve. He also asked staff to work with the center to clean it up and improve the conditions of the recycling center.

Mr. Drew stated that he looked forward to working with staff to improve the recycling center's appearance.

Mr. Prindle explained that the Department does not have a formal agreement with the recycling center but has been operating on a month-to-month permit. Additionally, one of the terms of the agreement is a routine audit of their financial statements.

Park Section Supervisor Kevin Shea was concerned that the recycling center was using the Department's water and utilities free of charge.

Ms. Burns explained that there would have to be a time frame incorporated into the agreement for the recycling center to comply with all of the terms of the agreement. She further noted that the color of the fence, purple, was not done in compliance with the Department and that the recycling center needed to review the fence height.

17. **HAIGHT ASHBURY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**
KEZAR RECYCLING CENTER
PERMIT (Continued)

President Eickman noted that if there is not improvement with the center, the Commission would be less inclined to approve an agreement in the future.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15492

WHEREAS, the Haight-Ashbury Neighborhood Council (H.A.N.C.) was issued a revocable permit by the Recreation and Park Department some years ago to establish and operate a recycling center in the Kezar area; and

WHEREAS, the permit does not clearly stipulate H.A.N.C.'s responsibilities at the recycling center nor any payment to the Department nor any term; and

WHEREAS, the Haight-Ashbury Neighborhood Council (H.A.N.C.) and the Recreation and Park Department have negotiated new terms and conditions which are to be incorporated in the permit, which is to have a fixed term.

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a one-year permit with H.A.N.C. commencing July 1, 1989 to continue its recycling center operation at Kezar, subject to all of the terms and conditions contained in the permit. A copy of the permit document is on file with the Commission Secretary. This permit is subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Orr, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

18. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
MERCHANDISE CONCESSION
QUALIFIED BIDDERS

Approval of qualified bidders for merchandise concession for the Recreation and Park Department.

Finance Director Ernie Prindle explained that the Department has received eight qualified firms in response to the Request for Qualifications for the Department's merchandise concession. He asked that the Commission to approve those eight qualified firms and proceed with an invitation to submit a proposal for the Department's merchandise concession.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15493

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the qualified bidders for merchandise concession for the Recreation and Park Department.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Orr, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

19. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Discussion of Annual Report of Workers' Compensation for 1988-89, for the Recreation and Park Department.

Administrative Officer, Personnel, Betty Lim explained that the Department's workers' compensation costs increased 3.8% compared with a City-wide increase of 19.6%. The Department's Central Safety Committee reviews all worker compensation claims and makes determinations as to the cause of the injuries. She noted that very few claims are caused by unsafe working conditions or are unpreventable. Usually, the claims are from an employee not paying attention, insect bites, bee stings, etc. She also met with the City's Risk Manager who selected the Department as a model for the cost control program. Most of the funding (approximately $700,000) is used for old claims. She further explained that the Chief Administrative Officer calculated the workers' compensation cost for the Department and allocated a dollar figure which did not consider the part-time and as-needed employees of the Department.

Commissioner Guggenhime noted that the Department was allocated $896,000, which is $27,000 lower than what the Department paid in 1987-88. He felt that it would be logical that the allocation should rise because of the number of old claims.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that workers' compensation costs were placed in the Department's budget (previously part of the Retirement System) with the hope the Department would have an incentive to reduce those costs. Unfortunately, the Department has no training funds to educate employees on workers' compensation.

Ms. Burns explained in response to President Eickman's question, that if the Department spends more than allocated for workers' compensation claims, the expense would come from the Department's operating budget.

Ms. Lim stated that the Department has no control on how or where the worker compensation funds are spent.

Commissioner Ruiz stated that it was difficult to control worker compensation costs if the Department did not know where or how money was spent. He stated that the Commission needed a constant, on going status report.

20. LAKE MERCED
LAKE MERCED BOATHOUSE
ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE

Approval of assignment of Lake Merced Boathouse Bar and Restaurant lease from Row Row Row Your Boat to Susan Pettigrew and Alex Wilson-Sowah. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

ACTION: This item was removed from the calendar.

21. **PON & HOM AGREEMENT**
CONTROLLER'S AUDIT

Approval of agreement with Pon and Hom, pursuant to Controller's Audit. (Note: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code to discuss potential litigation regarding this matter.)

4:20 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session.

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales explained that the Commission approved the draft settlement agreement subject to a few minor modifications.

22. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
1989-1990 BUDGET

Presentation on the Recreation and Park Department Budget for 1989-1990.

Budget Officer Etai Chen gave an overview of the Recreation and Park Department budget for 1989-90. She outlined the pertinent issues facing the 1989-90 budget including a decrease in General Fund support of approximately $2,400,000. Staff transferred and leveraged funds and proposed an increase in revenue sources from changing the hours at Civic Center Garage (savings of $75,000), rental of the Sharon Arts Studio for special events ($25,000), increasing the admission fees at the Conservatory ($50,000), and extending the hours at the Zoo on selected evenings ($15,000).

Other increases in revenues sources which have not been approved by the Commission include: reduction in staffing levels at Portsmouth Square (savings of $75,000), generate revenue from single use facilities such as Croquet Club, Model Yacht Club ($100,000), premium rental of facilities such as Coit Tower ($50,000), increase in golf fees ($150,000), a merchandise concession ($100,000), and operation of a day care center ($83,000).

Ms. Chen outlined the significant personnel changes in the 1989-90 budget:

Recreation Division
- Deleted 4 Range Masters
- 8 New Pool Lifeguards
- 8 New Recreation Directors (5 at 6th and Folsom; 3 to staff the Daycare Center
- Transitioned 12 part-time to full-time Recreation Directors for expanded Latch Key Program
- Reduced 3 positions from Arts and Craft Program and Photography Center
- Substituted Junior Management Assistant for Principal Recreation Supervisor in the Afterschool Program
- Replaced $100,000 in Temporary Funds

22. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
1989-1990 BUDGET (Continued)

Administration/Finance Division
- Moved Property Manager position from Open Space Fund to General Fund
- Transitioned Management Information Systems Specialist position from Work Orders
- Substituted Senior Telephone Operator for Secretary II
- Substituted Account Clerk and Vendor for Senior Administrative Analyst
- Substituted Supervising Fiscal Officer for an Assistant General Manager in Administration
- Moved Volunteer Coordinator from General Fund to Open Space
- New Marketing Manager to staff the Revenue Development Unit and be funded out of the Special Revenue Fund
- New Director of Neighborhood Services under Open Space Fund

Park Division
- Substituted 5 Gardeners for 5 General Laborers
- Substituted 2 Custodians for 1 Custodial Assistant Supervisor
- Salary Reduction equivalent to 5 Gardeners in Golden Gate Park
- Transferred 4 supervisor positions in the Park Division from General Fund to Open Space Fund (a budget reduction)
- 2 new gardeners and 3 custodians to staff 6th and Folsom, North Beach Complex, Buchanan Street Mall and Ella Hill Hutch, maintain recently renovated park land and for weekend
- Transferred from Renovation Project 4 gardeners to Neighborhood Reforestation Program

Golf Division
- Substituted 2 gardeners for 2 General Laborers

Zoo Division
- New Assistant Zoo Director (No Funding Provided)
- Substituted a Clerk Typist for an Executive Secretary II

Candlestick Park
- 2 Stationary Engineers approved in 1988-89 Supplemental

The General Fund support for the Department has been reduced. Two years ago the Department transferred $3,700,000 from the Revenue Fund into the General Fund; last year $6,300,000; this year $8,000,000 will be transferred from the revenue fund.

Ms. Chen then outlined the various funds and described the reductions by division from fiscal year 1987-88 to fiscal year 1989-90:

	1987-88	1989-90
Recreation	$10.3	$10.1
Park	$24.5	$22.6
Administration	$ 5.8	$ 5.5
Golf	$ 1.6	$ 2.3
Zoo	$ 4.1	$ 4.5
Candlestick Park	$ 4.4	$ 5.3
Yacht Harbor:	$ .8	$ .9

22. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
1989-1990 BUDGET (Continued)

The Revenue Fund has steadily increased in the last three years because the Department has increased many fees and charges. Ms. Chen outlined the estimated fund balance for the various funds: $5.6 Million in Open Space, $1 Million Candlestick, $9,000 in Yacht Harbor.

President Eickman noted that all of the Department's reserves will be depleted or considerably low by the end of the fiscal year and that the Department will face fiscal year 1990-91 with less reserve funds than ever before. He stated that the Commission needed to either raise fees or obtain additional funding through the General Fund.

Vice President McAteer was hopeful that the merchandise concept could generate more than the $100,000 projection. She also suggested that the Department consider raising revenue through the operation of the day care center.

Commissioner Guggenhime noted that the fund balance is reflective of a signficiant decrease in funds and hoped that much foresight was used to produce more revenue.

23. **RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION**
CHANGE OF REGULAR MEETING TIME

Consideration to change the time of the October meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m., in the event the San Francisco Giants are participants in the World Series.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15494

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby changes the time of the October meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission from 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m., in the event the San Francisco Giants are participants in the World Series.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Orr, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

24. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**

Acceptance of gifts from various recreation centers valued at $41,606.85, for the Recreation and Park Department.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Recreation Division had accounts held at various recreation centers which more properly should be retained by the Department, through the Finance Division. This item transfers all of the various accounts to the Department for proper accounting procedures.

24. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15495

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts gifts from various recreation centers valued at $41,606.85, for the Recreation and Park Department.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Harris, McAteer, Orr, O'Connor
Absent: Commissioner Ruiz

25. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Ann Musak, spoke of her desire to lease the Sharp Park Rifle Range property for use as a golf driving range. She noted that she could make use of this area and it was her hope that a decision on the recreational use for this land would be decided prior to November of 1989 so that the land could be seeded as a golf driving range.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Commission held a public hearing to permanently close the rifle range but that the Board of Supervisors is now considering a request to have the Recreation and Park Commission conduct another hearing on the closure and to reconsider its decision. She noted that the Commission agreed to have a public participation process to discuss alternative recreational uses.

26. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman reported on the Board of Supervisors' recent action to urge the Recreation and Park Commission to reconsider the closure of the Sharp Park Rifle Range as well as the acquisition of the Glen Canyon property through the Open Space Fund. Further, the Board of Supervisors has recently voted to use Open Space Funds for the Zoo. He also discussed the Joint Commission meeting on Wednesday, September 27, 1989 regarding homelessness and the reception to be held for Jeffrey Mori, former Commissioner of the Recreation and Park Commission.

27. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of July 10, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of September 7, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of September 7, 1989
Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee Meeting of September 14, 1989

28. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Vice President McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Jessie McElroy, Jr., the son of Ms. Jessie McElroy, a long time employee of the Recreation and Park Department.

On motion of President Eickman, the meeting was adjourned with best wishes for a speedy recovery to Jim Rogers, Assistant Superintendent for Golden Gate Park.

There being no further business, the 639th Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1989 - 3:00 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission was called to order on Tuesday, October 10, 1989, at 3:00 p.m, by President Keith Eickman of the Recreation and Park Commission and Vice President Morales of the City Planning Commission.

1. ROLL CALL

Recreation and Park Commission	City Planning Commission
Present:	Present:
Keith Eickman, President	James Morales, Vice President
Frances McAteer, Vice President	Sue Bierman
Richard J. Guggenhime	Wayne Hu (noted present at 3:25 p.m.)
Tommy Harris	Leonard Tom (representing Thomas Elzey)
Connie O'Connor	Absent:
Trent Orr	Douglas Engman, President
Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 3:25 p.m.)	Norm Karasick (representing Rudolf Nothenberg)
Absent:	
Tommy Harris	

2. RINCON POINT
ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY

Proposal to acquire property generally bounded by the Embarcadero, Howard Street, Steuart Street and Harrison Street as the Rincon Point Park, using monies in the Downtown Park Fund, as established under Section 139 of the City Planning Code.

Dean Macris, Director of City Planning, explained that the Downtown Plan contains a provision which enables the City to establish a fee of $2.00 per square foot on certain offices to be used for the acquisition of a downtown park.

Amit Ghosh, representing City Planning, explained that the proposed resolution for adoption by the Commissions contained a provision to allocate all monies currently in the Downtown Park Fund and all future monies necessary in said Fund for the acquisition and/or development of a park. He noted that there is currently $772,000 in this Fund and $3 Million has been obligated to the Fund.

Douglas Wright, representing the Mayor's Office, explained that the park site, at the foot of Rincon Hill, has been identified as a park site for over a decade. He described the transportation/waterfront design which consists of a landscaped boulevard in the vicinity of Pier 35 and Northpoint Street along the entire length of the Embarcadero, under the Embarcadero freeway at Broadway, which will create a new open space (due to roadway realignment). The roadway will continue along the waterfront to the King Street intersection where it will be widened to continue as a landscaped parkway. In conjunction with the new boulevard project, two light rail lines will be added, one extending the Muni Metro subway system which currently terminates at the Embarcadero Center. This rail line will provide a station for the southeast residential neighborhood, a station to serve the ball park and surrounding site, and a station to serve the Mission Bay office core and surrounding residential community. The second rail line will provide service from Fremont Street, west of Market Street, down to Steuart, then around the park, and north to serve the Fisherman's Wharf/Pier 39 area.

Through Federal and State resources, the City will be able to acquire the land necessary for this transportation project. But the parcel of land to be dedicated as a park is not eligible for funding through those Federal and State resources. Therefore, the request is to acquire the parcel of land, to be used as a park site, through the Downtown Park Fund.

2. RINCON POINT
ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY (Continued)

Rudolf Nothenberg, Chief Administrative Officer, explained the time parameters to complete the Embarcadero Parkway project. Currently, the South Embarcadero piece is the most critical portion of the project and is the location of the private parcel needed for acquisition. The construction schedule is slated for completion by April, 1994. The South Embarcadero portion of the project calls for environmental review in mid-1990, completion of the design by the end of 1990, and construction by mid-1991 to meet the schedule for the entire project. The City needs to acquire several parcels of land previously described by Mr. Wright which are currently privately held. The request before the Commissions is a commitment of funding to allow the City to make an offer to the private owner. He noted that if other funding sources become available to acquire this parcel, the Downtown Park Fund will be repaid, to the extent that other funds can be used for acquisition. He further explained that the Commission would have to convene in Executive Session if any member wished to discuss the status of negotiations or the purchase price.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's query regarding access to the park, Mr. Wright explained that studies are being done by the Department of Public Works which provide a comfortable and secure movement of pedestrians to the park.

President Eickman asked if the private party was interested in selling the parcel of land or would eminent domain proceedings have to be initiated.

Andrew Schwartz, Deputy City Attorney, explained that the property owner is not adverse to selling the property and has sued the City claiming that they have been deprived of whole use of that property. If a purchase price cannot be negotiated, then eminent domain proceedings would take place.

Commissioner Morales asked if the Downtown Park Fund has been used for other projects and Mr. Macris explained that this acquisition would be the first use of that Fund and that the property contains excellent views and is a little more than 3 acres of land.

President Eickman asked which agency would be responsible for this park.

Mr. Nothenberg explained that the title of the park would most likely be under the Port Commission. He also explained that the General Manager of Recreation and Park Department has been assured that absent any specific source of funding, Recreation and Park would not be held responsible for maintenance of the park. The park will also be designed in conjunction with Recreation and Park.

Commissioner Bierman was concerned that development of this particular park might have to compete with funding through the Open Space Program.

Mr. Nothenberg stated that the likely source of funding for development of this park would be through the Redevelopment Agency. He further stated that the maintenance and upkeep of the park remains to be negotiated.

Commissioner Ruiz asked if the title of the land is given to the Port Commission what guarantee was there that the site would always remain as a park.

2. RINCON POINT
ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY (Continued)

Mr. Macris replied that it was his feeling that it would not be legally permissible to use this property for something other than a park because of the park would be acquired by the Downtown Park Special Fund.

Mr. Schwartz explained that if the property is placed under the jurisdiction of the Port Commission the property could be put to other use and that if the property was placed under the jurisdiction of Recreation and Park it must always be used as a park. He noted that Section 139 of the Planning Code does not contain a particular provision requiring that the area remain as a park. He further stated that if acquisition is done through Section 139 the better argument would be that it would remain a park.

Commissioner Ruiz explained that if the site is held by the Port there is no guarantee that the area will always be a park because Recreation and Park would not have title to the land; the Port would determine how the park will be used in the future.

Mr. Nothenberg stated that a specific provision could be inserted into the lease agreement which states that the area will remain as a park for so many years.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that the Commission could insert a specific clause into the resolution which states that the area will always remain as a park.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked if the Shadow Ordinance affected this park.

Mr. Schwartz explained that the Shadow Ordinance only applies to property under the jurisdiction of Recreation and Park or property acquired through the Open Space Fund. Therefore, the shadow ordinance would not be applicable to this parcel of land.

Commissioner Bierman thought that consideration should be given to Rincon Hill plan because there would be afternoon shadows on this parcel of land.

Commissioner Morales asked why the Commission was being asked to commit funds when the purchase price was unknown.

Mr. Nothenberg stated they did not feel secure in making an offer unless a source of funds was identified.

Mr. Schwartz noted that State law requires that an offer to the property owner be made before the City can exercise any eminent domain action.

Commissioner Ruiz suggested that the Commissions convene in Executive Session to obtain more information on the proposed offer.

Commissioner Guggenhime did not think there was a need to convene in Executive Session because the Commissions were simply giving staff authorization and negotiation terms.

2. RINCON POINT
ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY (Continued)

Public Testimony

Jeffrey Heller, representing Heller and Leake Architects, endorsed the park location and explained that that he was concerned about the Shadow Ordinance (Proposition "K") and impact of inverse condemnation due to late afternoon shadowing. Presently, there are buildings that will shadow the park for a duration of a few minutes in the very late afternoon and which could preclude substantial development opportunities. He favored the park if a determination is made by City Planning on the shadow impacts. If this was not done, he thought there would be substantial concern on developing this park.

Sue Diamond, representing Brobeck, Phleger and Harrison and Bechtel Investment Realty, explains that Bechtel owns the property surrounded by Howard, Fremont and Beale Streets. Bechtel is in the preliminary design stage for an office building and has done initial shadow studies which show small slivers of shadows on the park in the late afternoon and the filling of gaps of pre-existing shadows. She asked the Commission to consider allowing a certain amount of additional shadowing and to note the time of the day in which the shadow occurs. She also asked the Commissions to set the terms and conditions for that additional shadowing as soon as possible.

Rod Frebian-Smith, representing the Telegraph Hill Dwellers, explained that he was asked by neighborhood groups in Chinatown, Russian Hill, North Beach, and Telegraph Hill, to assure the Commissions that they still want this space as a park. He urged the project to go forward.

Kelly Cullen, a Franciscan Brother, stated that the City Planning Commission recently recommended that an aquarium be built which removes Bay views. He stated that the environmental community has asked for some kind of wetland area and urged that this be considered for this waterfront park area.

Harry O'Brien, representing Coblentz, Cahen, McCabey and Breyer, was concerned about the Shadow Ordinance and urged the Commission to underscore in the resolution they adopt that the Shadow Ordinance would not apply to this property as stated by the Deputy City Attorney, Andrew Schwartz.

Mr. Toto, an attorney, felt that the shadow impact should be addressed on this park and the impact it may have on potential development.

Mr. Macris felt the Commissions should not address the issue of whether this park falls under the Shadow Ordinance at this meeting. He stated that staff needed to do an analysis on shadow effects on the park. He noted that this area is a critical open space and an ideal space on the waterfront for both residents and downtown users.

Commissioner Bierman wanted the record to show that the park has been part of the Master Plan since 1979.

2. RINCON POINT
ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY (Continued)

Mr. Macris explained that ultimately the park could be under the jurisdiction of the Redevelopment Agency, Port Commission or Recreation and Park.

Mary E. Burns, General Manager of Recreation and Park, explained that the issue of shadow should be of concern no matter whose jurisdiction the park falls under and that it does not make any sense to put money into a park and have it shadowed. Additionally, the issue of waterfront access dates back to the previous Recreation and Open Space element of the City's Comprehensive Plan which calls for more public access to the waterfront and bayside.

Patricia Robinson, explained that AIDS victims also need parks, and that the hotels offered to the homeless are inadequate.

On motion of Commissioner Bierman, seconded and carried, the City Planning Commission convened in Executive Session.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded and carried, the Recreation and Park Commission convened in Executive Session.

4:30 - 4:40 p.m. The Commissions convened in Executive Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54659.9, Subsections A-C

Vice President Morales explained that no action was taken during the Executive Session.

3. DOWNTOWN PARK FUND
RESOLUTION

Consideration of resolution authorizing the acquisition and allocation of monies from the Downtown Park Fund.

Commissioner Orr suggested that appropriate wording be placed in the resolution which would provide that the land would remain as a park.

The wording "in perpetuity" was suggested for insertion to the resolution to provide that the area would remain as a park. A discussion ensued regarding this wording. Mr. Schwartz suggested that there could be a legal problem with the wording "in perpetuity". He suggested that the Commission insert a number of years into the resolution. The Commission preferred to use the phrase "in perpetuity".

3. DOWNTOWN PARK FUND
RESOLUTION (Continued)

For the Recreation and Park Commission

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

For the City Planning Commission

On motion of Commissioner Bierman, seconded by Commissioner Tom, the following resolution was adopted:

City Planning Commission
Resolution No. 11768

Recreation and Park Commission
Resolution No. 15498

Open Space Acquisition 261-289 Steuart Street

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco on September 17, 1985 approved the creation of a Downtown Park Special Fund, Planning Code Section 139, establishing a special fund for acquisition and development of public recreation and park facilities for use by the daytime population of the C-3 Use Districts; and

WHEREAS, Planning Code Section 139(f) provides that a special fund shall be created entitled the Downtown Park Fund ("Fund") which shall be administered and allocated by the City Planning Commission and the Recreation and Park Commission acting jointly for the acquisition of property for park use and/or for development of property for park use; and

WHEREAS, on January 5, 1981 the Board of Supervisors of the City and the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco adopted a Redevelopment Plan known as the Rincon Point/South Beach Redevelopment Project providing that the Embarcadero would be rerouted across the property known as 261-289 Steuart Street in San Francisco (Assessor's Block 3742, Lots 7, 8, 8A, 9 and 10) and the remaining Eastern half of the property would be incorporated into a new waterfront park known as Rincon Park in conjunction with adjoining land owned by the Port of San Francisco (the "Embarcadero Parkway Project");

WHEREAS, the Northeastern Waterfront Plan, a part of the Master Plan for the City, calls for rerouting the Embarcadero roadway onto Steuart Street between Howard and Harrison Streets, and also calls for building a public park in the vacated Embarcadero strip and on the two blocks bounded by Steuart, Howard, Harrison Streets and the existing Embarcadero roadway; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of the Eastern half of the 261-289 Steuart Street property currently fronting on the Embarcadero is necessary for the Rincon Park; and

WHEREAS, the Fund currently contains approximately $772,000 which can be allocated for the acquisition of property for open space to serve the C-3 use district, and the 261-289 Steuart Street property is located immediately adjacent to the C-3 use district and would be extensively used by the daytime population of the district; and

3. **DOWNTOWN PARK FUND**
RESOLUTION (Continued)

WHEREAS, pursuant to its conditions of approval, the Hills Plaza Project has committed $627,000 for the acquisition/or development of the Rincon Point Park for open space to serve the area; and

WHEREAS, acquisition of the 261-289 Steuart Street property is necessary for the Embarcadero Parkway Project, is in conformity with the Master Plan, and is consistent with the eight Priority Policies of Planning Code Section 101.1, in particular, Priority Policy (8);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Planning Commission and the Recreation and Park Commission do hereby approve and authorize the allocation of all monies currently in the Fund and all monies to be deposited in the Fund in the future necessary for acquisition and/or development of the 261-289 Steuart Street property for park use in perpetuity;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the amount, approximately equal to $770,000, currently in the Fund be appropriated and necessary administrative action taken to make it immediately available for acquisition and/or development of 261-289 Steuart Street property for park use;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if funds from other sources are used for the acquisition and/or development of 261-289 Steuart Street property for park use before sufficient amounts are deposited in the Fund, monies from the Fund shall be used to pay back such other sources.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

At this time members of the public may address the Commissions on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park and City Planning Commissions. Members of the public may address the Commissions for up to three minutes. The Commissions may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Reverend John Frickman, explained that 1.9 acres of parcel 4 of Ocean Beach was purchased by the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. There is remaining 1.4 acres of land and he urged the Commissions to acquire the balance of that land to preserve the open space area along Ocean Beach.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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640TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1989 - 9:00 A.M.

The Six Hundred and Fortieth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, October 19, 1989, at 9:00 a.m. by President Keith Eickman.

President Eickman noted that Commissioner Connie O'Connor was not in attendance as she was called to duty, in her capacity as a Lieutenant in the Sheriff's Department, to assist with efforts toward recovery from the earthquake of 10/17/89.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 9:07 a.m.)
Absent:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 21, 1989 were approved as amended.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 21, 1989 were approved as presented.

9:07 a.m. Commissioner Ruiz arrived at the meeting.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mary E. Burns, General Manager, explained that, in response to the earthquake at 5:04 p.m., on October 17, 1989, staff reported to the Corporation Yard to assist and respond to any damage the City or Department faced. Many people were willing to stay all night to assist in responding to any damage. She felt the City was fortunate that the earthquake occurred during daylight hours which affected the way people reacted and responded, including those attending the third game of the World Series being held at Candlestick Park. Ms. Burns informed the Commission of the unfortunate freeway death of one of our gardeners, Martha Joy Edstrom, a very dedicated and talented employee, who was killed during the earthquake when the Cypress freeway structure collapsed.

James Lucey, Assistant Superintendent for Structural Maintenance, explained that there was excellent cooperation among all City Departments. He relied on the staff at the recreation centers who reported the damage to the facilities. Mr. Lucey outlined some of the damage:

- Two of the swimming pools, Garfield and North Beach, remain closed. North Beach Pool has no power and Garfield Pool, which was to close shortly for its annual maintenance, is closed because there was some damage to the building. Mission Swimming Pool, currently under reconstruction, sustained damage to its support wall.
- There were many gas and water breaks, two at the Zoo, and two at Harding Golf Course.
- The Palace of Fine Arts sustained damage and the rotunda area remains closed until the area can be closely inspected.
- The Bandshell in Golden Gate Park sustained severe damage. Staff removed loose moldings. It was Mr. Lucey's opinion that if another severe earthquake occurred, the structure could collapse. He planned to hire a structural engineer to examine this structure.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's query, Mr. Lucey explained that the Exploratorium sustained some damage, although the extent was not known at this time.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations at Candlestick Park, explained that he felt the Candlestick Park evacuation went extremely well when the earthquake struck minutes before the World Series. The stadium lost all power and he therefore immediately suggested that the baseball game be cancelled and that the facility be vacated while it was daylight. A team of 17 structural engineers and 3 architects have been on-site evaluating the structure, have completed 80% of the inspection and found no major structural damage. The primary area that needs to be repaired is the Upper Reserved area near Sections 51/53. Cement stairs were poured over the expansion joint and when the stadium expanded and contracted, as it was supposed to do, the cement broke over the expansion joint. The engineers have found no problem to the canopy itself, but the A-frame, immediately outside Section 53, where the crack in the steps occurred, contains a severe crack. The engineers are investigating this area and, if necessary, will saddle the area with steel temporarily. Mr. Lind further noted that he is working closely with the Baseball Commissioner regarding the status of the World Series. The Mayor feels that it would be inappropriate to assign the Police force to the stadium given the City's state of emergency. Therefore, the World Series has been tentatively rescheduled for Tuesday, 10/24/89.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

Mr. Lind met with the 49ers last night and requested that they consider another location for the October 22, 1989 game. The tentative location for the game is Stanford Stadium. Mr. Lind hoped to have the structural engineer's report in draft form by Friday, 10/20/89 and a final report by Monday, 10/23/89.

Ron deLeon, Assistant Superintendent for Neighborhood Parks and Squares, explained that the majority of the facilities under his jurisdiction sustained minor damage with the exception of the Marina Green area. There has been a lot of subsidence at the Marina and a small amount at Justin Herman Plaza. In the areas where minor damage occurred, barricades and caution tape has been used to secure the areas, for the safety of the public. There has been limited damage to the harbor itself. The dredging work currently being done at the harbor was curtailed until the harbor is resurveyed. There are major fractures to the Marina Green lawn areas; bay mud has been pushed up into the middle of the Green, and one can actually note seashells in the Marina Green. The seawall for the greater part is sound and there is subsidence on the peninsula outside the Harbor Master's Office.

Ernie Prindle, Finance Director explained that not all of the Department's parking garages have been inspected. Civic Center Garage has a number of cracks in the walls and those garages without power remain closed. The Lake Merced Boathouse restaurant roof sustained minor damage.

Jim Cooney, Assistant Superintendent of Urban Forestry, explained that there were a few gas main breaks at Harding Park which are being repaired. There is damage to the Harding Park wooden bridge. In addition, there is a water break in the domestic line at Sharp Park Golf Course. He noted that there was a good response for assistance in the Corporation Yard on the night of the earthquake but there is a need for better coordination for emergency preparedness.

Bob Killian, Golf Director, explained that other than the damage previously noted the golf courses are fine. The golf division experienced one of its most lucrative days for the month of October the day after the earthquake.

Jim Rogers, Assistant Superintendent of Golden Gate Park, explained that the bandshell sustained severe structural damage and that there is displacement of some of the columns. The pedestrian tunnels (Alvord Lake, Bandshell concourse and the Conservatory/John F. Kennedy) have hairline cracks to their entrances. The "Portals to the Past" ruin, given Golden Gate Park as a remnant from the earthquake in 1906, has separated a bit.

Mr. Lucey explained that McLaren Lodge sustained quite a few stress fractures and that structural engineers will examine the building closely in the next few days to ensure that there is no structural damage.

Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, coordinated his services with the Department of Public Works (as called for in the City's emergency plan), to clear roads, dispatch heavy equipment to areas in need, deliver fuel for emergency generators, etc., He felt that the City responded extremely well.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

Ms. Burns explained that the City's Emergency Plan, provides for the Recreation Division to work with the Red Cross to provide "people" services in the event of an emergency. The Mayor wanted the Department to open as many recreation facilities as possible the day after the earthquake.

Nan Neal, Assistant Superintendent for the Cultural Division, explained that staff was asked to report to their assignment and to advise the Corporation Yard of any visible signs of damage to the building. Several facilities were considered unsafe; in those cases staff conducted activities outside of the facility. By and large, 90% of the recreation facilities were opened and operating on Wednesday, 10/18/89, 12:00 noon.

Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation, explained that the Department's recreation directors also acted as counselors and psychologists, in soothing children and adults and provided a valuable service to the citizens of San Francisco.

Lynn Greenlaw, of the Aquatics Division, explained that Rossi, Sava and Balboa pools are operating under their regular schedules. She highlighted the other problem areas:

- Garfield Pool was closed because it sustained damage to the north wall
- North Beach Pool will be closed until power is restored and the water is PH balanced
- Coffman Pool will open when a water pipe is repaired
- King Pool needs to be checked by a structural engineer

Martin Greenlaw, of the Cultural Division, explained that a wall buckled at the Wawona Clubhouse. The 50 Scott Street facility is closed because there is no power and the Randall Museum is open and operating.

Phil Arnold, Interim Zoo Director, explained that immediately after the earthquake Nancy Scofield, the Zoo's Bird Curator, organized staff at the Zoo into 4 squads and conducted an animal and structural inventory. All gas and electrical power was turned off. The Zoo appears to be structurally sound but the major damage is underground. There are many water line breaks. One of the major water breaks occurred in the line that serves the entire west end of the Zoo, which includes the Zoo Hospital, Zoo offices, Primate Discovery Center, Children's Zoo, Gorilla World and the giraffe, zebra and muscat exhibits. It was also found that a fresh water line flows inside of a storm sewer line which could be a health hazard. In addition, because of the water line breaks, most of the restrooms are not functioning.

Ms. Burns explained that the Mayor has been holding regular meetings with Departments to keep everyone up-to-date and informed. She also planned to hold a follow-up meeting within the Department to do long range planning. It was agreed that this disaster should be viewed as a stern warning with the hope that we will be able to better respond to the next emergency situation.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

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Ms. Burns explained that it came to her attention last week that the City of Pacifica instructed one of their contractors to dump spoils into the Sharp Park canyon. Over 1000 cubic yards of asphalt was dumped into the canyon at the direction of the City of Pacifica and without the Department's permission or knowledge. The Department intends to take legal action on this matter.

Ms. Burns finally noted that the Recreation and Park Department is the lead agency to coordinate the City Employees' Combined Charities Campaign. Mr. Prindle, has been working diligently on this project. The goal was to raise $400,000 and within the first week the Department raised over $140,000. The plan is to now emphasize donations toward the Earthquake Disaster Fund.

President Eickman thanked the General Manager and staff for bringing the Commission up-to-date on the earthquake and how the Department plans to recover from this tragedy. He commended the Department for its efforts.

Commissioner McAteer wanted to know how the Commissioners could assist in a disaster in the future and asked that a role be developed for them.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

President Eickman explained that Item 4g (Environmental Analyst Duffey Company) was removed from the Consent Calendar and would be considered separately.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15499

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period September 7, 1989 through October 5, 1989.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15500

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Timothy J. Algiers	$ 83.46
Vernon D. Allen	293.27
Avcar Rental	217.55
Rose Cadenasso	78.39
Emma Cippa	52.50
Marisa De Hazes	321.07
Monica B. Delzeit	483.87
Albert Elizondo	440.26
Michael Kelly	178.54
Bernard F. Lecocq	219.18
Fee Mang Lee	499.00
Marion J. Maskulka	100.00
Margaret Olmstead	55.00
Michael A. Pfeifer	224.55
Helena Rowland	252.92
Stanley Sheridan	232.72
Richard Van Koll	491.24
Francis Van Steen	46.00
Daniel E. Wiss	265.00

c. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS OVER $500.00 — RES. NO. 15501

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the following unlitigated claims:

Unlitigated Claims:

Donald Navarrete	$3,331.00
Domingo Reyes	$ 722.00

d. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS TRANSFER OF FUNDS — RES. NO. 15502

RESOLVED, That Commission approves the transfer of Zoo revenue funds in the amount of $3,754.40 from Materials and Supplies to Services of Other Departments.

e. GOLDEN GATE PARK CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND AWARD OF CONTRACT — RES. NO. 15503

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the award of contract to Cuevas-Mannion Construction and approves the budget in the amount of $467,000, for improvements to the Children's Playground in Golden Gate Park.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

f. BUENA VISTA PARK — RES. NO. 15504
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the modification of contract to Cuevas-Mannion Construction, in the amount of $45,000.00, for installation of the play equipment and irrigation improvements at Buena Vista Park.

h. ALTA PLAZA PLAY AREA — RES. NO. 15505
FENCING

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the installation of fencing around the perimeter of the play area at Alta Plaza.

i. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15506
M.H. DE YOUNG MUSEUM
SCULPTURE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the temporary installation of a sculpture in front of the M. H. de Young Memorial Museum, Golden Gate Park.

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Deborah Learner, Park Planner, explained that this item involves a contract with the Department's environmental analyst, the Duffey Company. Ms. Duffey has worked for the Department since 1985-86 and her billing rate has been extremely low. The request was to increase the hourly billing rate to $35.00 per hour although the overall budget amount would not increase. She recommended approval.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

g. ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYST DUFFEY COMPANY — RES. NO. 15507
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the modification in contract to the Duffey Company, to increase the hourly rate to $35.00 per hour for environmental services afforded to the Recreation and Park Department. The total contract amount of $24,000 will not increase.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Phil Arnold, Interim Zoo Director, explained that this item is a ratification of a sale of two muntjac, very small asian deer, which were sold to Safari West, a USDA licensed dealer. This dealer signed the requisite form which guarantees that they will not sell the animal to a hunting or game ranch or use the animal for research projects.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15508

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (which were processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

SOLD TO: Safari West
3115 Porter Creek Road
Santa Rosa, CA 95404
USDA #93-B-93

One (1) male and one (1) female Reeve's muntjac valued at $300.00 for the pair. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
DE-DESIGNATION AS PIGEON FEEDING AREA

Approval to eliminate the San Francisco Zoological Gardens as a designated pigeon feeding area.

Phil Arnold, Interim Zoo Director, explained that that the San Francisco Zoological Gardens is one of the Commission's sanctioned public pigeon feeding area. Pigeons present a problem at the Zoo. This is a request to de-designate the Zoo as a pigeon feeding area. Staff has set up special bird feeding stations where pigeons cannot access or can access only with great difficulty. In addition, staff is using nixalite in the barn areas where the pigeons roost. This resolution will prevent the public from spraying grain on the Zoo grounds.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15509

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to eliminate the San Francisco Zoological Gardens as a designated pigeon feeding area.

6a. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Approval of a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $46,173, for the Assistant Zoo Director position at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Phil Arnold, Interim Zoo Director, explained that that this item is a request to provide funding for the Assistant Zoo Director position. This position was placed in this year's budget as a new position, has been classified by the Civil Service Commission but has not been funded. This item would provide funding for the position for a seven month period.

General Manager Mary Burns explained that she hoped to be able to name a Director in the near future. The Zoo Director would like to be able to appoint a second in command and therefore it is necessary to provide funding for the position.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15510

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the supplemental appropriation in the amount of $46,173, for the Assistant Zoo Director position at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

7. BAYVIEW PLAYGROUND
RENOVATION OF CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

Approval of conceptual plans for the renovation of the children's play area located behind Martin L. King, Jr. Pool at Bayview Playground.

Timothy Lillyquist, Assistant to the General Manager, explained that this item is a plan to rehabilitate the existing play area at Bayview Playground. The community wanted to preserve the existing airplane and to construct new restrooms. The conceptual plan is to replace outdated play apparatus with new play structures. The airplane has been restored by the Navy. It is hoped that future funding will become available to construct new restrooms.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15511

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the conceptual plans for the renovation of the children's play area located behind Martin L. King, Jr. Pool at Bayview Playground.

8. AMERICAN HERITAGE TRUST ACT
ENDORSEMENT

Approval to endorse the American Heritage Act and direct that letters of support be sent to state and local legislators.

Timothy Lillyquist, Assistant to the General Manager, explained that this item is a request to endorse legislation currently being considered by Congress. This Act will re-establish the Land and Water Conservation Funds (LWCF) and would create $900 Million annually to this fund and $150 Million to the Historic Preservation Fund. Revenues would come from a permanent trust. Historically, the Department has used LWCF funds for projects such as the development of McLaren Park.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15512

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the endorsement of the American Heritage Act and directs that letters of support be sent to state and local legislators.

9. SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL SITES
RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT PROPERTY

Ratification of alternative school sites conducted by the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) on Recreation and Park Department property.

Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation, explained that this item is a ratification of an existing arrangement currently in place with the Recreation Division and San Francisco Unified School District, whereby recreation facilities are used in the morning as alternative classrooms. It has been found that the atmosphere provided at recreation centers is condusive to tutor children who normally would be going to school and to encourage them to return and/or remain in school. There are four sites in operation which have been very successful.

Commissioner McAteer noted that students who continue their tutoring are eligible to receive a diploma. She explained that some children cannot handle a school situation and this program offers an informal type of instruction.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15513

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the alternative school sites conducted by the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) on Recreation and Park Department property.

10. CHILDREN AND YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
CONCEPTUAL APPROVAL

Conceptual approval of the creation of a departmental Children and Youth Advisory Committee.

Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation, explained that this item is a request to create an advisory board to the recently formed Children and Youth Services. This advisory board would discuss issues to provide quality and relevant children and youth services throughout the City. By way of background he explained that the Afterschool Program had an advisory committee which helped in the implementation of that program. It was found that the advisory committee proved to be very helpful and he felt that an advisory committee could assist in the development of the Children and Youth Program. Members of the Recreation Program Committee have agreed to serve on the advisory committee on a rotating basis.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted;

RES. NO. 15514

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the creation of a departmental Children and Youth Advisory Committee.

10:30 a.m. 10:40 a.m. Commissioner Harris was absent from the meeting.

11. CANDLESTICK PARK
USAGE AGREEMENT
VOICE PENTACOST CHURCH

Approval of an agreement with Voice Pentacost Church for the use of Candlestick Park for a National Day of Prayer service on Thursday, May 3, 1990.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item was heard and approved by the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee and is a usage agreement to hold a national day of prayer on May 3, 1990 at Candlestick Park. The organization will pay all of the expenses in connection with use of the stadium. May 3, 1990 is a day that the Giants will be in route to an "away" game. The contract has been approved as to form by the City Attorney. He further noted that the non-discrimination clause has been removed from the agreement as it is not required.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15515

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the agreement with Voice Pentacost Church for the use of Candlestick Park for a National Day of Prayer service on Thursday, May 3, 1990.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, McAteer, Orr, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Harris

12. CANDLESTICK PARK
SONY CORPORATION
CONCOURSE DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE

Approval of the conceptual design of the concourse directional signs for Candlestick Park and authorization for staff to proceed with installation.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item was heard and approved by the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee and relates to a 1987 agreement between the Commission and Sony Corporation. There are a number of elements to the Sony agreement which have not been fulfilled by Sony. One of the requirements in the agreement is that Sony provide, at no cost to the City, directional signs on the concourse. Sony has the rights to sell advertising around the directional signage. Mr. Lind has been working with Sony to develop the art work which will be placed above the concession stands. The signage will contain the Candlestick Park logo, two advertising panels and the directional signage to the section immediately adjacent to the concession stand. This project may generate up to $97,000 to the Department annually.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15516

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the conceptual design of the concourse directional signs for Candlestick Park and authorization for staff to proceed with installation.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, McAteer, Orr, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Harris

13. CANDLESTICK PARK
SONY CORPORATION
CONCOURSE ADVERTISING

Approval of the conceptual design of stadium location signs for Candlestick Park and authorization for staff to proceed with installation.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item was approved by the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee and was not included in the original Sony agreement. Mr. Lind has reached agreement with Sony to install large diagrams of the stadium which would show people where they are located in the stadium. The current signage is very worn and full of graffiti. Sony plans to find one sponsor per "you are here" sign and to ask that sponsor to pay for the fabrication and installation of the sign so that there will be no cost to the Department. The Department anticipates that once these signs are placed throughout the stadium the Department will receive approximately $32,500 per year for the advertising rights on those signs.

13. CANDLESTICK PARK
SONY CORPORATION
CONCOURSE ADVERTISING (Continued)

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15517

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the conceptual design of the stadium location signs for Candlestick Park and authorization for staff to proceed with installation.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, McAteer, Orr, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Harris

14. CANDLESTICK PARK
SONY CORPORATION
ADVERTISING PANEL

Ratification of the installation of an advertising panel for Victor Brand Meats at Candlestick Park.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item is a request to ratify the installation of an advertising panel at Candlestick Park. Victor Brand Meats wanted the panel installed prior to the start of the World Series and regular season of football. The panel is immediately below Suite #1. The Department receives 65% of the income from this advertising panel.

Commissioner Guggenhime noted that Victor Brand Meats has an agreement whereby the Department shall encourage the stadium concessionaire to use the Victor Brand Meats products. If they are unable to get at least one product sold, either through the Stadium Club, or Harry M. Stevens, within six months, they have the right to not advertise in Candlestick Park.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15518

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the installation of an advertising panel for Victor Brand Meats at Candlestick Park.

15. CANDLESTICK PARK
SONY SCOREBOARD AGREEMENT
ADVERTISING COPY

Authorization for the General Manager to approve advertising copy for in-stadium advertising at Candlestick Park.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item was heard and approved by the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee and is a request to streamline the process for screening advertising copy for installation of signage at Candlestick Park. The Sony agreement provides that the Commission has final approval on advertising copy that is placed in the stadium. The request before the Commission is to authorize the General Manager to grant that approval and to report those actions to the full Commission at its monthly meetings or at the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee. This would allow the Department to advertise quickly and be able to make additional revenue.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15519

RESOLVED, That this Commission authorizes the General Manager to approve advertising copy for in-stadium advertising at Candlestick Park.

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Mr. Lind informed the Commission that he cancelled the Mickey Thompson event scheduled for 10/21/89 at Candlestick Park (approved by the Commission on 9/21/89) and agreed to renegotiate an agreement for another date.

Mr. Lind further informed the Commission that the 49ers have reached an agreement with Stanford to hold the 10/22/89 49er versus New England Patriots football game at Stanford Stadium. This move will result in a loss of revenue to the Department as well as to the 49ers. The 49ers will offer a refund to season ticket holders.

16. UNION SQUARE GARAGE
SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Approval of settlement of an unlitigated claim between City and County of San Francisco versus Golden Gate Parking Company in favor of the City for $16,500.

Mara Rosales, Deputy City Attorney, explained that this claim involved the removal of fixtures and repairs at Union Square Garage by Golden Gate Parking, in the amount of $33,000. The Department granted a rent credit to System Parking, the lessee which assumed responsibility of the garage in 1986. The previous lessee, Golden Gate Parking Company, refused to pay for the fixtures and repairs. The Department made a claim to the surety company who also refused to make payment. The City then filed a suit. Ms. Rosales found, in the process of researching a complaint on another issue, an opportunity for settlement. She recommended settlement given the legal costs which would be incurred if the case went to court. She further noted that this claim required Board of Supervisors approval.

16. UNION SQUARE GARAGE
SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM (Continued)

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15520

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the settlement of the unlitigated claim between City and County of San Francisco versus Golden Gate Parking Company in favor of the City for $16,500.

17. CANDLESTICK PARK LAND
SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Approval of settlement of an unlitigated claim in favor of the City for $3,375 in connection with Parcel #4977, Lot 6, adjacent to Candlestick Park on Jamestown Avenue.

Mara Rosales, Deputy City Attorney, explained that it recently came to the Department's attention that there is a strip of land, wedged between two dirt lots, which is property of the City. It was unknown that this piece of land belonged to the City. City Park has been using this land for parking without knowledge that it belonged to City. It would be difficult and very time consuming to assess how much money the City is entitled to recover. The parties have agreed to settle on payment of $3,375. She noted that given the time and effort it would take to discover what the City's damages are, the settlement was fair. She recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15521

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the settlement of the unlitigated claim in favor of the City for $3,375 in connection with Parcel #4977, Lot 6, adjacent to Candlestick Park on Jamestown Avenue.

18. CITY ATTORNEY
SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS
REVISED LEGISLATION

Discussion and recommendation of the proposed legislation to amend the Administrative Code by the City Attorney regarding settlement of claims.

Phil Arnold, Assistant General Manager for Administration, explained that this item is a request to change the way claims are settled. Currently, all claims, regardless of the dollar amount, are approved by the Commission. This legislation proposed by the City Attorney's Office would allow the City Attorney to settle all claims up to $5,000. Mr. Arnold has noted a number of claims where staff has disagreed with the settlements proposed by the City Attorney. The Department's Claims Investigator, Irene Casserly, is very thorough, and has often come up with reasoning for a lower settlement. That internal review mechanism would be removed by this legislation. Mr. Ray King of the City Attorney's Office was trying to streamline the way claims are settled and felt that since this Commission meets only once each month settlement of minor claims is often delayed.

18. CITY ATTORNEY
SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS
REVISED LEGISLATION (Continued)

Mr. Arnold suggested that a possible compromise to the legislation would allow for settlement without Commission approval, provided that staff concurs with the proposed settlement. He did not recommend abandoning the Department's settlement authority for claims under $5,000.

Commissioner Guggenhime thought that instead of having all settlement of claim matters brought back to the Commission that the General Manager or her designee could sign off on the claim settlement. He made a motion that the wording in the legislation be "...on written recommendation of the head of the Department..." Commissioner McAteer seconded this motion.

Mara Rosales, Deputy City Attorney explained that there may be a problem with the City's Charter and removal of the Commission's authority. She recommended that this item be deferred until this matter is analyzed.

Commissioner Guggenhime withdrew his motion. It was agreed that this item should be deferred to a future meeting of the Commission.

19. CIVIC CENTER GARAGE
MIDNIGHT CLOSURE

Approval to close no earlier than midnight at the Civic Center Garage.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that the original recommendation was to close the garage at 11:00 p.m.

Lucinda Pope Scanlan, Park Property Management Supervisor, stated that it was agreed that closure should be an hour after the curtain or conclusion whatever event is held at the Civic Center area when motorists may have left vehicles at the Civic Center Garage.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15522

RESOLVED, That this Commission prohibits closure earlier than midnight at the Civic Center Garage.

19a. DOLORES PARK
WAIVER OF FEE

Appeal of the fee waiver for use of Dolores Park on November 5, 1989, by the Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights and Services.

Mary E. Burns, General Manager, explained that there is an established fee for use of our various facilities. Further, the Commission has allowed waiver of those fees only in cases where the Department is offered a usable in-kind service. The group in question has not offered a usable in-kind service which would be of great benefit to the Department. She noted that the fee charged does not cover the maintenance costs associated with the parks and facilities. She hoped, with regret, the Commission would deny the fee waiver.

19a. DOLORES PARK
WAIVER OF FEE (Continued)

Commissioner Ruiz explained that he was in contact with this group and explained the waiver policy and made it clear that some sort of service need be offered for that fee waiver. Although Commissioner Ruiz could not speak for the group, he was aware that they were short of funds. He hoped that the fee would be waived because they do not have the funding. He was confident that the organization could find a suitable in-kind service to the Department.

Shauna Rose, Commission Secretary, explained that she contacted the organization and explained that the letter presented did not offer an in-kind service to the Department.

Ms. Burns explained that if the organization can offer an in-kind service she would be willing to grant the fee waiver.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15523

RESOLVED, That this Commission denies the waiver of fee for use of Dolores Park on November 5, 1989, by the Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights and Services.

20. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted;

RES. NO. 15524

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $5,390.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From William Schooley, 100 orchids, valued at $1,800.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

b. From Ken Holliday, 1 bale of New Zealand Sphagnum Moss for potting orchids, valued at $390.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

c. From Mr. and Mrs. George Jewett, four Cymbidiums (orchids), valued at $100.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

d. From Mrs. Ginetta Sagan, 25 Cattleyas (orchids), valued at $500, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

e. From Larry E. Williams, M.D, four Koi Carp, valued at $200, for the pond at the Conservatory of Flowers.

f. From Friends of Recreation and Park, one Groundsmaster 52 Rotary Mower, valued at $1,200.00, for use at Moscone Playground.

g. From the San Francisco Croquet Club, $1,200.00, four eight in-place benches at Sigmund Stern Grove.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

21. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Anne Reisman, representing the Strybing Arboretum Society, was delighted that the Zoo was getting an additional position and respectfully reminded the Commission that a position was lost at the Arboretum. She reminded the Commission that the Arboretum had lost a much needed gardener position.

Steve McMann, complimented the Department on the work and emergency preparedness that is being done by the City and explained that it has strengthened his involvement with the community. It was vital, in his opinion, that the media favorably view San Francisco and promote the fact that it is a wonderful City.

22. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman thanked the Commission and staff for coming to the meeting just 40 hours after the earthquake. He stated that the City's finances are going to be sharply disturbed by the earthquake. He also explained that the General Manager held meetings at the Corporation Yard regarding the impact of the earthquake on both the City and the Department.

23. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee Reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of September 11, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of October 5, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of October 5, 1989
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of October 11, 1989
Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee Meeting of October 12, 1989

24. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Harris, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Anna May Lane, the wife of the late Tom Lane, a long time employee of the Recreation and Park Department.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Martha Joy Edstrom, a gardener at the Conservatory, who was a victim of the 10/17/89 earthquake on the collapse of the Cypress structure.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Dennis Wurm, son of John Wurm, an Area Supervisor for Neighborhood Parks and Squares, Recreation and Park Department. Dennis Wurm died in an industrial accident.

24. ADJOURNMENT (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Richard Walter Goldman, the son of Richard and Rhoda Goldman, who recently passed away.

There being no further business, the Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna ~~Marie~~ Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

641ST REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Forty-First Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, November 16, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 10, 1989, with the City Planning Commission, were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 19, 1989 were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns, submitted the following report:

"EARTHQUAKE UPDATE

At the last Commission Meeting on October 19th, staff provided you with verbal reports of initial earthquake damage. Betty Lim, Safety Officer, has prepared a written report which outlines earthquake damage assessment and costs, and also notes that the Department's Emergency Response Committee has been meeting to update the Emergency Operations Plan which was last revised in March of 1987. You will find copies of this report at your places along with a copy of a letter from Mayor Agnos to Supervisor Harry Britt dated November 6, 1989. This letter provides a status report on the state of emergency declared as a result of the earthquake.

MAYOR'S 1989 MANAGERIAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS LUNCHEON

On Wednesday, November 15th, the Ninth Annual Mayor's Managerial Excellence Awards Luncheon was held to honor and recognize managers below the level of department head or chief administrator. This year three organizations joined to sponsor the program: The San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR) which presented the "Managerial Efficiency" Award, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce presenting for the first time a new "Managerial Leadership Award," and the Mayor's Fiscal Advisory Committee which presented 3 "Managerial Excellence Awards." This year for the first time a new category was established for "Team Managerial Efficiency." This Department nominated James Cooney, Assistant Superintendent of Urban Forestry, Golf Division and Turf Management, and Robert Killian, Golf Program Director. Although they did not receive an award at the luncheon, I know you join me in congratulating these gentlemen on their nomination, and thank them for their contribution to the Department.

ZOO ADVISORY BOARD

A request to extend the Zoo Advisory Committee through January 15, 1990 was submitted to the Board of Supervisors by Supervisor Nelder. This request was supported by a 9 to 5 vote of the Zoo Advisory Committee. The request was referred to the Rules Committee of the Board of Supervisors which has not taken any action to date. Deputy City Attorney, Jim Lazarus, has advised that effective midnight, November 15, the Zoo Advisory Committee was no longer an official public body. The committee is scheduled to meet at an all-day session on December 16 to review and approve its final report to the Board of Supervisors.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

SHARP PARK

On October 17, 1989, Munkdale Landscape Construction was observed dumping their grading material in the Archery Range area of the Sharp Park property. The contractor was told to stop work immediately. On the advice of the City Attorney's Office a letter was sent from the Department to Munkdale Construction and the San Francisco Archers requesting a meeting which was held on October 26th. As a result of that meeting a letter was sent to the City of Pacifica, the agency responsible for the construction contract, expressing our concerns. The Department is waiting for a response from the City of Pacifica.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY AT 14TH AVENUE AND ORTEGA

On Monday, November 13, the Board of Supervisors held a public hearing to consider acquisition by eminent domain of property at 14th and Ortega (known as the "Rock Outcropping") for the Open Space Program. That measure passed 11 to 0. The City Attorney will now prepare the necessary case to have the Court determine if the City can "take" the property and if so at what value.

CANDLESTICK TURF

Because of the condition of the field last Sunday at Candlestick Park and the interest this generated, you will find attached a "Candlestick Park Turf Report" prepared by Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks.

FOOD NOT BOMBS

The Food Not Bombs organization has made a formal request to the Recreation and Park Department for a free food distribution permit at Civic Center Plaza. The request is for various dates and times and the location is the Polk Street side of the Plaza. Staff will respond to the Food Not Bombs organization that a permit can be obtained if all requirements as outlined in Resolution #15267, adopted January 25, 1989, are met. Several other requests were also made to the Health Department for sites such as United Nations Plaza, Union Square, the Hall of Justice and Dolores Park. Staff will also inform the Food Not Bombs organization of any request for sites that are inappropriate for this type of activity. You will be provided regular updates on the Food Not Bombs organization.

DAY-AFTER-THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

City offices will be closed Friday, November 24, 1989, which is an official holiday. The Japanese Tea Garden, Conservatory, Zoo, Coit Tower and golf courses will be open. Twenty of our recreation facilities will be operating and supervised from noon to 5:00 p.m.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

SPECIAL NEEDS DIVISION THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

The Special Needs Division held its annual Thanksgiving Luncheon on Tuesday, November 14 at Jackson Recreation Center. This annual event is very special and for very special people. At least 100 enjoyed a wonderful turkey "dinner" with all the trimmings. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the generosity of Mr. Waddy Ayoob who is very active in community work and thank him on behalf of the Department and Commission for making this luncheon possible through his generous donation of the turkey dinner. He has been doing this for the last 7 years Mr. Ayoob will be instrumental in enabling us to have an Easter Luncheon in 1990, which he hopes will also become an annual event. A letter of appreciation to Mr. Ayoob from this Commission would be in order.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

The highlight of the Department's holiday season is the annual lighting of San Francisco's official Christmas tree at McLaren Lodge. This event will take place on Wednesday, December 13 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Agnos doing the honors. Festivities will include music by the Golden Gate Park Band, community caroling and of course the arrival of Santa on his sleigh driven by his reindeer. Hot cider and cookies will be served and an invitation is extended to all to attend and participate in this holiday event.

RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT HOLIDAY EVENTS

In addition to the Christmas tree lighting you will find at your place a list of "Holiday Events" prepared by our Public Information Office. You will note from the variety of holiday programs that there is something for everyone to enjoy.

GENERAL MANAGER ON VACATION

I will be on vacation from Monday, November 20th through Monday, November 27th. During that period Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation, will be Acting General Manager.

3. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT** (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Wednesday, November 29, 1989	Recreation Program Committee, 3:30 p.m., Milton Meyer
Wednesday, December 6, 1989	Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory (MAC) Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, December 7, 1989	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, December 7, 1989	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Saturday, December 9, 1989	Recreation and Park Department Christmas Party, Sharp Park Lodge, Sharp Park Golf Course, 6:30 No Host Cocktails, 7:30 Dinner
Monday, December 11, 1989	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:00 p.m., San Francisco Zoo
Wednesday, December 13, 1989	Strybing Arboretum Society Annual, Volunteers Christmas Luncheon, Noon - 2:45 p.m., Co. Fair Building
Thursday, December 14, 1989	Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields, Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge"

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

President Eickman explained that Item 4e (Sharp Park, Laguna Salada) had been removed from the Consent Calendar and would be heard separately.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. **Personnel Matters** **RES. NO. 15525**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period October 6, 1989 through November 2, 1989.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)**

b. **SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00** — **RES. NO. 15526**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Margaret McAulliffe.....$ 50.00
Sharon Mahler.....$322.67

c. **CROCKER AMAZON PARKING LOT AWARD OF CONTRACT** — **RES. NO. 15527**

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract in the amount of $82,550 to Esquivel Construction for improvements to the Crocker Amazon Parking Lot.

d. **WORK STUDY PLANNING INTERN AWARD OF CONTRACT** — **RES. NO. 15528**

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract to University of San Francisco in the amount of $5,000, for a work study planning intern through June, 1991.

f. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT TRANSFER OF FUNDS** — **RES. NO. 15529**

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the transfer of funds in the amount of $19,600, for additional City Overhead Costs charges for the Recreation and Park Department, as enumerated below:

Transfer Funds From:

	Fund Group	Index Code	Work Phase	Amount
1987 Park Bond Fund	05/609	620294	001-01	$ 4,600
1977 Irrigation Bond Fund	05/527	377010	100-01	$ 500
Open Space	02/221	375899	200-01	$12,500
Candlestick Park	02/222	375782	200-01	$ 400
Marina Yacht Harbor	02/224	375907	203-01	$ 1,500
Special Revenue Fund	02-229	367656	213-01	$ 100
Total				$19,600

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4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

g. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT** — **RES. NO. 15530**
STANDBY AUTHORIZATION FOR BUDGETED EQUIPMENT ITEMS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the standby authorization to modify budgeted equipment items for the Recreation and Park Department.

h. **OXFAM AMERICA FESTIVAL** — **RES. NO. 15531**
MODIFICATION OF PERMIT FEE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a modification to the permit fee for Oxfam America Festival Event in the amount of $2,835.

i. **CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES** — **RES. NO. 15532**
RUN TO THE FAR SIDE
IN-KIND SERVICE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an in-kind donation from the California Academy of Sciences in lieu of $7,500 permit fee for Run to the Far Side event on November 26, 1989, in Golden Gate Park, as follows:

°Free admissions for 1,500 to 2,000 school children, valued at $1. each. Contribution valued at up to $2,000.

°Behind the scenes tours of Steinhart Aquarium. Four tours for groups of 30 each. Contribution valued at $500.

°Scholarships to the Junior Academy. 50 scholarships valued at $30 each at a contribution value of $1,500.

°Waiver of rental fees for the Department's use of Academy facilities for events. Rental values may be up to $3,500.

Item 4e was heard separately

e. **SHARP PARK, LAGUNA SALADA**
AWARD OF CONTRACT

Approval of award of contract to Philip Williams and Associates in the amount of $65,410, for the preparation of a Resource Enhancement Plan for Sharp Park, Laguna Salada.

Deborah Learner, Park Planner, explained that a bid protest was filed on the award of this contract. Ms. Learner responded to the protest, and gave the protesting firm the opportunity to review the score sheets and proposals. She discussed this matter with Mara Rosales, Deputy City Attorney, and feels that the award of contract should not be delayed.

4e. SHARP PARK, LAGUNA SALADA
AWARD OF CONTRACT (Continued)

Norman Hantzsche, representing Questa Engineering, explained that his firm submitted a proposal jointly with Mills Associates, a women-owned firm. It was his understanding that his firm was the highest rated firm at the time the proposal was submitted. During the interview process, a new set of criteria was required, which eliminated his proposal. Mr. Hantzsche has filed a formal bid protest and urged the Commission to postpone the award of this contract until the bid protest was resolved.

Mara Rosales, Deputy City Attorney, outlined the potential difficulties that could be encountered should this matter be postponed. She explained that since this contract needs to take place during the rainy season a postponement could jeopardize the timing of the contract.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that it seemed that there was a change in the procedure which could have jeopardized the bid process.

Ms. Rosales explained that the procedures did not substantially change, rather, the scope of the Human Rights Commission regulations were modified.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15533

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract to Philip Williams and Associates in the amount of $65,410, for the preparation of a Resource Enhancement Plan for Sharp Park, Laguna Salada, with the understanding that the Park Planner will resolve the bid protest with the City Attorney's Office.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE

Consideration of request to place a 10 foot tall bronze statue on a 5 foot, 6 inch granite base in the middle of Portsmouth Square.

Mary Burns, General Manager explained that the issue of gifts to the Recreation and Park Department, particularly of statuary, is a frequent occurrence. A variety of gifts are offered by varying groups and individuals to honor and commemorate people and events. Last week, two gift offers, in the form of a statue, and a 67-ton piece of black granite, were offered to the Department. The Commission has an adopted set of guidelines to carefully analyze the appropriateness of a gift in terms of land use and maintenance requirements.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE (Continued)

The request before the Commission is a proposal to place a large piece of statuary in Portsmouth Square, a park that has just gone through a long renovation planning process. The renovation plan does not take into account a statue of this size. Chinatown is designated as one of the six high-need neighborhoods in the City which does not have sufficient park space. Parks are carefully designed to maximize the use of the parkland. Ms. Burns noted that there is a great deal of support to have Recreation and Park accept this gift in recognition of the events that took place in China last June. She was concerned that if this gift was accepted, a precedent would be set which would affect future gift requests. Although Ms. Burns understood the importance of recognizing the June 4, 1989 events in China, she felt the gift, as currently proposed for the location proposed, was not appropriate. She clarified the role of the Commission is to review the site selection and land use for this art work (the Arts Commission will consider the aesthetics of the art piece). She suggested a number of options to the Commission: (1) deny acceptance of the gift, (2) accept the statue for Portsmouth Square, or (3) accept the statue and look for a more appropriate site by working with the proponents. If the Commission chose the third option, Ms. Burns suggested that a joint committee be established comprised of representatives from this Commission, the Arts Commission and the proponents, to jointly work on a site and possible redesign.

Ms. Burns further pointed out that starting January, 1990, Portsmouth Square will undergo a three-year renovation program. Therefore, it would take some time to place the statue in the Square.

Deborah Learner, Park Planner displayed a drawing of the adopted Master Plan for Portsmouth Square. Ms. Learner explained that the placement of the statue, as proposed, will constrict circulation in the Square and will entail removal of some of the square scanty vegetation. The statue (5 1/2' base, 10' statue) would be a massive structure in the Plaza and the proposed placement would be in the most prominent area in the Plaza. As proposed, the statue would turn away from the central gathering area of the Plaza. Staff was concerned about maintaining the art piece since the statue will be made of bronze with a white finish. She recommended that the maintenance fund include the immediate area surrounding the statue. It was the staff recommendation that the statue is not in keeping with the scale of the Square, does not fit in with the Master Plan, and would decrease the greenery.

Public Testimony

Russell Cramer, spoke in favor of the Goddess of Democracy statue and its placement in Portsmouth Square. He asked the Commission to view the Goddess of Democracy statue as a symbol of democracy and freedom to the Chinese people.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE (Continued)**

**Public Testimony
(Continued)**

Wu William, spoke in opposition to the Goddess of Democracy statue, and stated that the statue represents a deep division and dissension in the Chinese community. If the statue was placed in Chinatown there would be endless demonstrations and rallies, and violence. He stated that the dust has not settled on this issue yet and is a political passion of the time.

K. Woo, (through an interpreter), stated that he is an old man who enjoys Portsmouth Square and uses the park as a place to talk to others. The Goddess of Democracy statue in Portsmouth Square will cause uneasiness and would lessen his enjoyment of the park.

Judith Abraham, read a letter from Father John LoSchiavo, from the University of San Francisco, which expressed his support for the erection of the Goddess of Democracy statue in Portsmouth Square. She also supported the placement of the statue and felt that the Goddess of Democracy is a symbol of courage and a universal symbol.

Martin Lee, (through an interpreter), spoke in opposition to placement of the Goddess of Democracy statue. He felt that Portsmouth Square is for all people and that nothing political should be placed in the Square. The park would be a political arena and would no longer be a peaceful area.

Wong Shau-Lam, spoke in opposition and felt the proposal was undesirable. He said the statue is a political symbol and that there are other ways to beautify Portsmouth Square. He explained that he had spoken to others who felt the statue would disrupt the harmony of the park.

George Chee, opposed the Goddess of Democracy statue in Portsmouth Square.

Nguyen Van Zhan, (through an interpreter) stated that he represented Self Help for the Elderly. He explained that that many elderly people spend time in Portsmouth Square and that since discussions started on the Goddess of Democracy statue, altercations have occurred on the Square which make the elderly nervous.

Robert Koc, supported the Goddess of Democracy statue. He felt that placement of the statue would generate tourism, and noted that the statue is very meaningful.

Carl Hong, opposed the placement of the Goddess of Democracy statue in Portsmouth Square because he felt that politics should not be part of the park. He felt it was not right for one group of people to place a statue in a public park that might offend others.

Anzan Young, supported the acceptance of the Goddess of Democracy statue and felt that Portsmouth Square is not set aside for one particular group. He stated that the Goddess of Democracy statue is no more or no less political than the Statue of Liberty in New York.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE (Continued)

Public Testimony
(Continued)

Margaret Chin, supported the acceptance of the Goddess of Democracy statue. She felt that it was important to display this symbol and to tell everyone what happened in Tiananmen Square. The statue represents freedom and justice. She hoped the Commission would listen to the voice of the people and approve the placement of the statue.

Linda Huang, supported the placement of the Goddess of Democracy statue. She stated that the United States was her country, and that she uses the park daily. She hoped that the Commission would listen to their needs and to make the democratic system work. She told the Commission that she wanted the statue and not to refuse her request.

Terry Ow-Wing supported the placement of the Goddess of Democracy and presented to the Commission over 5,000 signatures from individuals and governmental leaders supporting the Goddess of Democracy project. She explained that she was asking for approval in principle of the sculpture in Portsmouth Square and added that they were flexible to the possibility of changing the scale of the art piece. The statue would add to the spiritual enhancement of the Portsmouth Square. She felt there must be a way to accept their belief in democracy and to give the statue a home in the heart of their community.

Ruth Asawa, urged the Commission to approve the placement of the Goddess of Democracy in Portsmouth Square. She stated that everyone watched the events at Tiananmen Square and that the statue of the Goddess of Democracy grew out of the new spirit of the young people and their desire for change. She noted that parks serve the need of the living.

Gordon Chung, an architect who worked on the elevator and restroom design for Portsmouth Square, said he wished to restrict his comments to the design issues. He was of the opinion that the 15' sculpture is in scale with the design of the elevator structure (16') and is an appropriate height. He further noted that they verified the structural design and it will not be an additional cost. He personally supported the placement of the statue in Portsmouth Square.

Dr. Rolland Lowe, Chairperson of the Fouccation for Chinese Democracy, spoke in support of the Goddess of Democracy project and felt that issues of height, site, and location could be resolved at a later date. He stated that there is overwhelming merit for this statue, as it symbolizes the hope and aspirations for basic human rights and democratic values.

Jerry Isaak-Shapiro, of the Jewish Community Relations Council, which represents over 60 synagogues in the Bay Area, supported the statue, and stated that symbols educate and arouse the community. He felt it was incumbent on everyone to guard against encroachment of political freedom. California is the bridge to the Pacific Rim nations and he urged acceptance of the sculpture.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE (Continued)

Public Testimony
(Continued)

Hilary Hsu, Chancellor of the San Francisco Community College District, supported the placement of the statue in Portsmouth Square. He also was speaking on behalf of Commissioner Julie Tang from the Community College District who supported the statue project. He explained that the achievement of democracy is a deliberate process as well as a controversial process and that this statue is an important symbol.

Albert Chew, President of the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, read a letter from Senator Pete Wilson in support of the Goddess of Democracy statue. Mr. Chew supported the statue as well and felt it was a symbol of the struggle for freedom and should not be denied placement in Portsmouth Square.

Eileen Caplan, representing Congresswoman Barbara Boxer, explained that Ms. Boxer was supportive of this project. Ms. Caplan also supported the project as it symbolizes the hopes and dreams of all those who strive for basic human rights and democratic freedom. The statue has unified the Chinese community to exercise its civil liberties.

Herbert Lam, a student from San Francisco State University, Chinese by birth, American by naturalization, supported the placement of the statue and stated that the students from Tiananmen Square can no longer speak for themselves.

Trudy Michell, supported the Goddess of Democracy statue and recounted the events at Tiananmen Square. She noted that the symbol of freedom had reached the students in China and urged everyone to keep the concept of liberty alive.

Irene Collier, President of the Association of Chinese teachers, spoke in support of the Goddess of Democracy statue in Portsmouth Square. She felt that the statue would teach students the value of democracy. She noted that 25% of students in San Francisco are Chinese.

Bok F. Pon, representing the San Francisco Republican Party, supported the Goddess of Democracy statue, and said that the Tiananmen Square incident helped to spark the spirit of liberty. He did not feel that the City could deny such a symbolic statue.

Philip Lee, President of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, stated that he was in favor of placing the Goddess of Democracy statue in Portsmouth Square. He felt it would not take up too much green space in the park.

Andrew Lee, representing the Foundation for Chinese Democracy, was in favor of the Goddess of Democracy statue. He welcomed friends from the Chinese government and asked them to participate in the democratic process and to can share the freedom of speech and assembly. He stated that we are striving for the same ideal, that of justice, freedom and democracy.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE (Continued)

Public Testimony
(Continued)

Jennifer Mu, a staff person for Assemblyman John Burton, read a statement from from Assemblyman Burton urging approval of placement of the Goddess of Democracy statue in Portsmouth Square. There is an overwhelming sentiment to place the statue in Portsmouth Square. She urged the Commission to stand behind the Chinese community.

Larry Chang, native of San Francisco, stated that if the Goddess of Democracy statue is placed in Chinatown a monument should be erected for the American/Chinese who gave their lives in World War II.

Sheng Yu Huang, a student at University of California, Berkeley, supported the erection of Goddess of Democracy statue. This statue is a peaceful lady, and the symbol of freedom and democracy.

Brian K. Waverman, noted that the statue has the support of the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, and civic leaders. He urged the Commission to suspend the bureaucratic process and approve the placement of the Goddess of Democracy statue.

Henry Der, representing Chinese for Affirmative Action, emphasized that the San Francisco Goddess of Democracy project was very flexible as to the final plan of the statue in Portsmouth Square. He looked look forward to working with a joint task force comprised of members of Recreation and Park, the Arts Commission, community members, and his task force on the specificity of the project. The statue has evoked passion, the concern for liberty and justice and has succeeded in energizing many members of the Chinese community. He felt that the statue will energize the Chinese community for generations to come.

Yvonne Lee, representing the Chinese American Citizens Alliance, supported the Goddess of Democracy project, and asked the Commission to support the project. She said the statue will remind everyone of the human spirit and the democratic process.

Woody Chen, clarified a statement previously made by an individual who stated he spoke on behalf of the Self Help for the Elderly. Mr. Chen stated that this speaker was not a representative from Self Help for the Elderly.

Thomas Ng, past president of the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association, supported the erection of the Goddess of Democracy statue. He stated that this project represented humanity and that nobody can forget what occurred at Tiananmen Square and the democracy movement.

Henry Woon, supported the Goddess of Democracy statue, and reminded the Commission that monuments often present difficult and controversial decisions. He stated that this statue will remind people to keep democracy working.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE (Continued)

Public Testimony
(Continued)

Thomas Marsh, stated that the Goddess of Democracy has brought us here today. The statue is a herald for a new era in art. This artwork has transformed human consciousness in a way like never before in history. Let us follow her lead. She comes to us in peace.

Perry Beeson, supported the Goddess of Democracy.

Du Zheng, (through an interpreter) supported the placement of the Goddess of Democracy project. He explained that he came from China and that his first impression when he came to USA was that of freedom. He stated that freedom and democracy are twin sisters and that in China anyone can be arrested, or executed.

Margaret Verges, spoke in favor of erection of a statue in Portsmouth Square, and represented the Presidio Avenue Association of Concerned Neighbors and Anza Vista Civic and Improvement Club. After viewing the events at Tiananmen Square Ms. Verges was grateful that there are still young people with ideals and dreams. She urged the Commission to allow democracy to have a voice.

Doris Chan, representing Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi, spoke on behalf of the Congresswoman and expressed support to place the Goddess of Democracy in Portsmouth Square. The events of 6/4/89 touched the hearts and minds of San Franciscans who care for the struggle for democracy. The presence of the statue will serve as a symbol and daily reminder of the ideals of democracy.

Angela Chang, expressed her support for the Goddess of Democracy statue. She explained that she came to the country as an immigrant, is a citizen of the United States, and views the statue as a symbol of freedom and democracy. She noted that the city has received letters of protest from the Chinese Consulate and may have felt pressure to turn down the statue. She stated that San Francisco should be the leader to let the voice of democracy be heard.

Gilbert Kuo, urged the Commission to support the Goddess of Democracy statue project.

Bette Landis, opposed the project and explained that she worked many years with the people of Chinatown in trying to get additional park space for their community. Portsmouth Square is a very small park and is situated in a congested area in Chinatown. Placement of the statue would remove 30 square feet of space where people can sit in the sun. She empathized with the proponents of this project but felt there were other places in the City to place the statue and suggested alternate locations. She urged that recreational space not be removed from Portsmouth Square.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE (Continued)

Public Testimony
(Continued)

Barry Chang, was pleased to see so many people in attendance and felt that the Goddess of Democracy was not a political issue, but a human rights issue. He supported the erection of this statue in Chinatown.

Humphrey Woo, stated that although there was a need for open space and greenery there was need for this statue in the park. He stated that many Chinese senior citizens enjoy the park.

Lun Wong, (through an interpreter) supported the statue, and stated that there is a statue in New York and we also need one in San Francisco. The statue would attract tourism. He noted that Portsmouth Square is for all ages.

John Barbey, representing Liberty Hill Neighborhood Association, supported placement of the statue in Portsmouth Square. He stated that liberty and democracy are twin sisters and that San Francisco is lacking a statue of liberty.

Steven Soo, a retired employee from the City and County of San Francisco, explained that he worked in the redesign of Portsmouth Square. He supported the Goddess of Democracy project. He stated that the statue is in line with the spirit of democracy.

Stan Yee, supported the Goddess of Democracy statue. He explained that many years ago he was given a task of trying to remodel the Chinese Playground and Portsmouth Square and that it took over 5 years to accomplish this goal. He concurred that there was a need for open space in Chinatown and suggested that the Stevenson statue be moved to the Washington/Hyde Park and place the Goddess of Democracy statue in its place.

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President Eickman asked Vice President McAteer to chair the meeting.

President Eickman made a motion that the Recreation and Park Commission accept the Goddess of Democracy statue, in concept, conditional on finding a site on Recreation and Park property or other city property with consideration of land use issues and the size of property to be used. Vice President McAteer seconded this motion.

Commissioner O'Connor felt the Commission should be realize that the Chinese community was in favor of placing the statue in Portsmouth Square.

President Eickman explained that the Commission had a responsibility to preserve and enhance park facilities. He felt it was important to conduct a careful investigation of the proper location to place the statue. He noted that his motion did not not mean that the statue would not be placed in Portsmouth Square, but that careful consideration must be given to analyze the land use issue.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**
GODDESS OF DEMOCRACY STATUE
PORTSMOUTH SQUARE (Continued)

Commissioner O'Connor amended President Eickman's motion to accept the statue specifically to be placed at Portsmouth Square; Commissioner Ruiz seconded the amended motion.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked Commissioner O'Connor to clarify her motion. Commissioner O'Connor explained that she wanted to direct staff to place the statue in Portsmouth Square.

Vice President McAteer felt that the visual beauty of the statue would not be captured in a small park and that it was not necessary to place it in Chinatown since all people believe in democracy. She stated that the statue, due to its size, needed a large space.

Commissioner Guggenhime preferred President Eickman's motion with the addition of wording "...It is the desire of the Commission to the extent possible that the statue be placed in Chinatown, and, if possible, Portsmouth Square." He was concerned that the size of the statue needed to be considered. After discussion, he withdrew his motion.

Commissioner O'Connor explained that her motion would approve placement in Portsmouth Square and the size of the statue would be discussed at a later date.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15534

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to place the "Goddess of Democracy" in Portsmouth Square.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Harris, O'Connor, Orr, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, McAteer

6. **PLACEMENT OF A MONUMENT**
LINCOLN PARK - NEAR THE PALACE LEGION OF HONOR

Consideration of the proposal from the French War Veterans Association of Northern California to erect a monument at Lincoln Park to honor their fallen comrades.

Mary E. Burns, General Manager, explained that this item is a proposal to accept a gift of statuary to be placed in Lincoln Park, near the Legion of Honor. The French War Veterans Association is proposing a large obelisk, listing the names of all of the French people who died in World War II. Ms. Burns explained that the Department receives many requests of gifts of statuary and that the existence of the Legion of Honor itself is dedicated to the memory of the French war dead. She felt the artwork was not appropriate and recommended that the Commission turn down the request, with a note of thanks to the gift donor.

6. **PLACEMENT OF A MONUMENT**
LINCOLN PARK - NEAR THE PALACE LEGION OF HONOR (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES NO. 15535

RESOLVED, That this Commission denies the proposal from the French War Veterans Association of Northern California to erect a monument at Lincoln Park to honor their fallen comrades.

7. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
STRYBING ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDENS
NAME CHANGE REQUEST

Consideration to change the name of the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens to San Francisco Botanical Gardens.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

8. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
MARTIAL ARTISTS/TAI CHI GROUPS

Recommended modification of current department policies regarding martial artists and tai chi groups and their use of parks.

Peter Ashe, Assistant Superintendent for the Cultural Division, explained that this item was considered by the Parks and Planning Committee where Commissioner Orr expressed concern regarding the word "hobbyist" being used in the proposed policy. After consultation with the City Attorney's Office this word has been deleted. This policy will be incorporated to the Commission's Permits and Reservation Policy, Resolution #15431, when it is reviewed by the Commission in January of 1990.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES NO. 15536

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a modification to the current Department policy regarding martial artists and tai chi groups and their use of parks.

9. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS**
SOUTHWEST SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT
CONSTRUCTION SITE

Approval of the agreement with Holmer Olsen, Inc., to provide access to construction site for the Southwest Sewage Treatment Plant.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

10. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS**
BOND ISSUE

Approval of submission of request for $33,500,000 bond issue for infrastructure improvements at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Phil Arnold, Interim Zoo Director, explained that this item is a request to direct staff to prepare a bond issue for the Zoo. During the earthquake, the Zoo suffered major utility damage below ground, including the water and sewer system. As a consequence, staff has prepared a list of improvements required at the Zoo which also includes cost a estimate for a new public entrance, expanded parking, roadways and paths, and public facilities. It is the hope that this bond issue will be submitted to the electorate at the June 5, 1990 election. He further noted that the dollar amount of the bond issue should be $34,000,000.

Mary E. Burns, General Manager, explained that she discussed this matter with the Chief Administrative Officer who is preparing the capital project list for the City and he suggested that the Commission approve this bond issue without an election date. Because of the earthquake, this bond issue may be considered by the electorate at another date.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES NO. 15537

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the submission of request for $34,000,000 bond issue for infrastructure improvements at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

11. **LAKE MERCED**
LAKE MERCED BOATHOUSE RESTAURANT
ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE

Approval of agreement with Mirage Investments (Row, Row, Row Your Boat) and Alec Wilson Sowah/Susan Pettigrew for the assignment of the Lake Merced Boathouse Restaurant lease.

Ernie Prindle, Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, explained that this item was considered by the Finance and Administration Committee, and is a request to approve the assignment of lease for the Lake Merced Boathouse. Staff has outlined the terms for the proposed assignment and recommended the assignment subject to those terms and conditions. He further noted that there was a recent misunderstanding with the payment of the rent which has been resolved. He also noted that he has been unable to contact Mr. Kent Sim, of the San Francisco Economic Development Corporation regarding this proposed assignment.

Alex Wilson-Sowah asked what was the purpose of the analysis by the San Francisco Economic Development Corporation. Mary E. Burns, General Manager, explained that Commissioner Harris had expressed concern that the financial analysis would prevent the assignees to meet the terms of the assignment. She felt if the Commission was willing to approve the assignment at this meeting, the analysis by Mr. Sims would no longer be warranted.

11. **LAKE MERCED**
LAKE MERCED BOATHOUSE RESTAURANT
ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE (Continued)

Mara Rosales, Deputy City Attorney noted that the non payment/late payment of rent has been a re-occurring problem.

Mary E. Burns said if there is a reason that payment cannot be made the lessee should contact staff immediately to notify them of the problem.

Mr. Prindle further noted that any problem with payment of rent should be communicated with his office immediately.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES NO. 15538

WHEREAS, Row, Row, Row Your Boat, Inc. has requested the consent of the Recreation and Park Commission to assign the Boathouse Bar and Restaurant Lease to Alex Wilson-Sowah and Susan Pettigrew; and

WHEREAS, Row, Row, Row Your Boat, Inc., Mirage, Inc. and Wilson-Sowah and Pettigrew have agreed to certain conditions regarding the proposed assignment which are set forth in a Memorandum dated November 3, 1989 and attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, it is agreed and understood that all conditions set forth in the Memorandum will be met before a Consent to Assignment document will be presented for the consideration of this Commission; and

WHEREAS, it is agreed and understood that this Commission's conceptual approval of the terms of the proposed assignment does not constitute an approval of the assignment of the Boathouse lease; and

WHEREAS, it is agreed and understood that if Wilson-Sowah and Pettigrew are unable to provide the required $75,000 security deposit on or before January 9, 1990 and/or any of the other items enumerated above, the request to assign the Boathouse lease will be denied.

RESOLVED, that the Recreation and Park Commission approves the proposed terms of the assignment of the Boathouse Lease to Wilson-Sowah and Pettigrew as set forth above.

12. **UNION SQUARE**
APPEAL OF WAIVER OF FEE

Appeal of the denial to waive the fee to Macy's California for use of Union Square from November 24 through December 24, 1989.

Peter Ashe, Assistant Superintendent for Cultural Division, explained that Macy's California plans to provide daily entertainment at Union Square during the holiday season and had, thus, requested a fee waiver. The Finance and Administration Committee directed staff to negotiate a fee with Macy's California for use of Union Square. This has been completed.

12. UNION SQUARE
APPEAL OF WAIVER OF FEE (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES NO. 15539

RESOLVED, That the Commission approves a non-exclusive permit for Macy's California to present 2-hour entertainment programs at Union Square for 30 consecutive days from November 25 to December 24,1989, with a permit fee of $1,500.

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
ADMISSION POLICY

Approval to allow members of the Friends of Recreation and Parks free admission to the Japanese Tea Garden, Golden Gate Park.

Mary E. Burns, General Manager, explained that the Friends of Recreation and Park, is a non-profit organization, established years ago, to raise funds and promote Recreation and Park Department activities. The City Attorney has rendered an opinion which states that the Commission may grant Friends of Recreation and Park free entry privileges. She recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15541

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to allow members of the Friends of Recreation and Parks free admission to the Japanese Tea Garden, Golden Gate Park.

14. CIVIC CENTER GARAGE
SIGNAGE

Approval of signage for night closure of the Civic Center Garage.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15541

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the signage for night closures of the Civic Center Garage.

15. CIVIC CENTER GARAGE
24-HOUR PRIVILEGES

Approval of procedure for application for 24-hour privileges at Civic Center Garage.

ACTION: This item was removed from the Calendar

16. **CITY ATTORNEY**
SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS
REVISED LEGISLATION

Discussion and recommendation of the proposed legislation to amend the Administrative Code by the City Attorney regarding settlement of claims.

Phil Arnold, Assistant General Manager for Administration, explained that this item is a proposal to change the way that unlitigated claims are settled. This legislation would give the City Attorney the power to settle any claim under $5,000. Currently, the City Attorney cannot settle a claim without approval from Recreation and Park. Mr. Arnold recommended approval of the proposed legislation provided that the City Attorney meets two additional conditions:

°that the Commission be provided with monthly reports on all claims settled by the City Attorney, and
°that the City Attorney will not exceed the amount of settlement recommended by the Recreation and Park Department

Ray King, Deputy City Attorney explained that he was in agreement with the two conditions previously outlined. He further noted that this legislation will be in effect for only one year, with a six month trial period, to analyze this change to streamline the processing of unlitigated claims.

On recommendation of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15542

RESOLVED, That this Commission recommends approval of the legislation proposed by the City Attorney to amend the Administrative Code regarding settlement of claims, provided that the Commission be provided with monthly reports on all claims settled by the City Attorney, and that the City Attorney will not exceed the amount of settlement recommended by the Recreation and Park Department.

17. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT**

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted;

RES. NO. 15543

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $525.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Town School, one tennis net, valued at $125.00, for the tennis court at Julius Kahn Playground.

b. From Dominics Harbor Restaurant, $400.00, for the purchase of materials and supplies for the Silver Tree Day Camp.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

18. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was received.

19. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President thanked staff for its help in moving the location of today's meeting.

20. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of October 2, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of November 2, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of November 2, 1989

21. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Shirley Hennessey, mother of Sheriff Mike Hennessey, who passed away on November 14, 1989.

On motion of Commissioner Harris, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Tom Murphy, a gardener on the Field Athletic Crew, who passed away suddenly on Monday, November 13, 1989.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Joe Orengo.

There being no further business, the 641st Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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642ND REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1989 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Forty-Second Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, December 21, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. by President Keith Eickman.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Keith Eickman, President
Commissioner Frances McAteer, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Tommy Harris
Commissioner Connie O'Connor
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 16, 1989 were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns, submitted the following report:

"CONCERN REGARDING EAST END OF GOLDEN GATE PARK

The media has recently focused on a petition being circulated by gardening staff regarding homeless and incidents of violence in the east end of Golden Gate Park. About three weeks ago, Barney Barron, Joel Robinson and I met with Police Chief Frank Jordan, Deputy Chief Frank Reed and Charles Hoenisch, Captain of Park Station, regarding the reports of increasing violence and illegal activity taking place in the Haight-Stanyan corridor. They pledged substantially increased patrols in the area and, in fact, had implemented that program on the Saturday prior to the Herb Caen item regarding a petition being circulated by gardeners expressing concern for their safety. Since increased police presence appeared in that area, both the numbers of people and instances of violence have decreased.

However, much remains to be done. Jim Lucey and Deborah Learner are working on a design for night lighting of the Alvord Lake area. In a meeting with concerned residents of the area early this week, staff committed to a posting of signs indicating various Park Code sections which will be enforced. A request for an automatic irrigation system is being evaluated, but has no source of funding and might have to await next year's budget request.

Another meeting with various members of the Mayor's staff took place Wednesday, December 20, to request that office's support for enforcement of the Park Code regarding no sleeping or camping in the Park. They committed to doing an assessment of Golden Gate Park homeless similar to what they did in Civic Center last year before moving toward enforcement. I feel we have a firm commitment that once that assessment is done, all relevant Park Codes will be enforced with full backing of the Mayor's Office.

Next week Barney Barron and I will meet with some of the park staff to discuss the matter and to see if there are other suggestions and ways that issues of safety can be addressed. Follow-up meetings will be held with the Mayor's staff so gardeners may express their concern on a face-to-face basis.

I have also asked Barney Barron to put in place some process that allows employees to express their concern in a more direct manner. Since the defunding of the Work Improvement Project where such issues previously would have been expressed, an unacceptable void has developed with unfortunate consequences.

3. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)**

COMBINED CHARITIES

I am very pleased to report that as of this date, and despite the October 17 earthquake emergency, the Combined Charities Campaign City-wide donation total is $321,500. This represents a 7% increase from last year's $300,400. Our department increased its contribution by 33% -- $16,400 this year as compared to $12,250 last year. On Friday afternoon, December 15, a drawing was held to pick the Department and City-wide prize winners of the campaign. Representatives of various charities were present to thank all those who helped to make the 1989 campaign such a success and to help in the drawing of prizes. The City-wide Grand Prize was a trip for two to Paris or Tahiti courtesy of UTA French Airlines. Mr. Louis Garnier, President of the airlines, was present to draw the winner who was Dr. William Newsom, Fire Department Physician. Other prizes included 49er tickets, a 49er Rocklin Tour, $500 Fun Pass, Champagne Brunch, Picnic Basket, Entertainment Coupon Book, Family Portrait, Deep Sea Fishing Trip, "Friends" Membership, and last but not least a lunch with the General Manager. I know you join me in congratulating and thanking everyone who helped make this campaign so successful in spite of the emergency.

SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE SUIT DROPPED

You will be happy to hear that an incident which occurred at Sharp Park Rifle Range in June of 1985, and was set to go to trial on December 4, 1989 was dismissed. Particulars of the case were that plaintiff alleged that he and his friend were illegally denied access to the rifle range when they attempted to enter with a UZI semi-automatic 9mm carbine. Plaintiff's suit demanded compensation and a letter of apology from the Mayor of San Francisco. The City Attorney denied any compensation, but in the interest of economy, offered plaintiff a letter of apology, which was refused, and thus the case was set for trial. Several discussions were held with the plaintiff's counsel and eventually an agreement was worked out whereby the plaintiff settled for a conditional apology from the City. He, in turn, apologized to the City and County of San Francisco for bringing this specious action. Case dismissed.

CAMP MATHER TO BE FEATURED ON TV

Camp Mather will be featured on KRON-TV, Channel 4's documentary on families. A two-person film team spent four days at Mather photographing and talking to families in an idyllic setting. The program will then explore changes and problems facing families in everyday life. Air date is Saturday, December 30, at 8 p.m.

MT. DAVIDSON CROSS HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

On Saturday, December 23, the San Francisco Leadership Foundation and New Life Community Church, will have an early evening holiday celebration at Mt. Davidson Cross. This will include a brief non-denominational service featuring Scripture readings, prayer, a holiday message, special musical soloists, and Christmas caroling. This celebration will not include the lighting of the cross.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

TENDERLOIN LIBRARY SERVICE

On November 27th the Main Library moved its Children's Library into the Tenderloin Recreation Center. This move was necessitated by the closure of the Main Library due to the earthquake. The hours of operation are 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., six days a week. Services offered include story-telling, word games and reading. The temporary library is used by the children from Tenderloin Recreation Center and children from the Y.M.C.A., North of Market Child Care, and other childrens' agencies. Attendance is very good with as many as 25 children being served each day. The library is tentatively scheduled to return to its home location the middle of January. Mr. Kenneth Dowlin, City Librarian, was very appreciative of the Department's willingness and cooperation in providing this facility.

NORTH LAKE UPDATE

Plans and specifications to remove sediment and repair the seal at North Lake are being prepared by the Department of Public Works. The estimated starting date for construction is February, 1990. The total project cost of $315,000 which includes construction, inspection, design and contingency will be funded through the 1977 Park Irrigation bond funds.

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

The Department received an Award for Excellence in Architectural Conservation from the San Francisco Heritage Foundation for the restoration of the Stern Grove Trocadero Clubhouse (Page & Turnbull, Architects, Berry von Hungen Groth, Project Manager, Tim Lillyquist, Project Director). The award recognizes the outstanding achievement in preserving one of San Francisco's architectural "gems."

SPONSORSHIP OF THE CITY GOLF AND FATHER AND SON TOURNAMENTS

Thomas Culligan, III, has notified the Department that his firm, Culligan Management Company, will sponsor the 1990 City Golf Tournament at Lincoln and Harding, as well as the 1990 Nor-Cal Father and Son Tournament at the Golden Gate Park Golf Course. Mr. Culligan has played in the City Tournament since the 1950s and won the event in 1974. The Department expresses its gratitude to Mr. Culligan for helping to ensure that these popular and traditional golf tournaments continue.

"CELEBRATION OF LIGHT" AWARDS CEREMONY

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, will be a featured participant in the awards ceremony for a photo competition sponsored by the Exploratorium. The competition celebrates 150 years of photography and uses young people's photographs of the most liked and disliked elements of their neighborhoods as the theme. Department staff persons Robin Lasser and Chris Huie contributed their time and energy to this project.

3. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)**

49er PLAYOFF GAMES

The first playoff game for the 49ers will either be on January 6 or 7. If they win that game the next one will take place on January 14th. I hope to be seeing all of you on the 14th.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, December 23, 1989	Tenderloin Recreation Center Christmas Party, 11:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Monday, December 25, 1989	Christmas Holiday
Monday, January 1, 1990	New Year's Day Holiday
Thursday, January 4, 1990	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, January 10, 1990	Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, January 11, 1990	Finance and Administration Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Monday, January 15, 1990	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday"

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. **Personnel Matters** **RES. NO. 15544**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period November 3, 1989 through December 8, 1989.

b. **SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS UNDER $500.00** **RES. NO. 15545**

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following unlitigated settlement of claims under $500.00:

Mechthild Culver	$359.00
Michael Edwards II	378.33
Robt. M Gonzales	349.46
Timothy Harris	200.00
Roderick MacKenzie	398.23
Jose S. Romero	373.54
Siu S. Tam	334.05

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR** (Continued)

c. **SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS** **RES. NO. 15546**

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the following litigated & unlitigated claims:

Proposed Settlement - Litigated Claim Over $500:

Kristine Dudley	$1,000.00

Proposed Settlements - Unlitigated Claims Over $500:

Jose Cardona	$1,826.46
Kenneth Garrett	$770.61
CSAA (Vincent Lee)	$668.59
Thomas Tse	$1,758.98
Linda West	$526.46

d. **MISSION SWIMMING POOL** **RES. NO. 15547**
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the modification of contract to Blue Dolphin Pools and Spas, in the amount of $30,000.00, for the reconstruction of the Mission Swimming Pool.

e. **GOLDEN GATE PARK** **RES. NO. 15548**
ELK GLEN LAKE PUMP AND FAN INSTALLATION
REALLOCATION OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the reallocation of funds in the amount of $21,959, from the balance of the completed capital project (Golden Gate Park Bandstand Electrical project) to the Elk Glen Lake Pump and Fan Installation project.

f. **SHARP PARK GOLF COURSE PRO SHOP** **RES. NO. 15549**
RENT CREDIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the rent credit for Sharp Park Golf Course Pro Shop and Restaurant not to exceed $3,250 for installation of water filter.

g. **CANDLESTICK PARK** **RES. NO. 15550**
SAN FRANCISCO STADIUM, INC.
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves $51,000 Candlestick Park supplemental appropriation for additional administrative costs of San Francisco Stadium Inc.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR** (Continued)

h. **DEPARTMENT OF ARMY** **RES. NO. 15551**
EXPLORATORIUM
AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an amendment to agreement with Department of the Army for parking space adjacent to the Exploratorium.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. **SHARP PARK**
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE

Reconsideration of the July 20, 1989 decision of the Recreation and Park Commission to permanently close the Sharp Park Rifle Range.

Mary E. Burns, General Manager, explained that this item is being considered again as proponents desirous of the keeping the Sharp Park Rifle Range open had secured passage of a resolution from the Board of Supervisors which asked the Mayor to urge the Commission to rehear this matter. The Parks and Planning Committee heard this matter on 12/7/89 and recommended that the rifle range be closed permanently, and that alternative sites be explored through the public process.

Ms. Burns then provided some background information on this item explaining that the range was closed after the Pacifica Police Department informed the Recreation and Park Department that spent ammunition had been found in the yards and roof of a housing development over the ridge from the range, and that it was possible that the ammunition had come from the rifle range. It was felt that the rifle range operated in a safe manner when it was supervised by staff but there were instances where people accessed the range when it was closed and acted irresponsibly. Although the range had operated for 37 years without a serious incident, once the issue of safety was raised, it became obvious that there was a well traveled public road just above the target area which was of growing concern. Staff contacted the San Francisco and Pacific Police Departments for their advice as to what kind of safety measures should be instituted. An estimate requiring $500,000-$1 Million worth of capital improvements was given to solve the safety issue. In addition, the issue of noise coupled with the fact that the City of Pacifica has a proposed housing project which will be closer to the range was of concern. Given the dollar value of the capital improvement and the fact that the Department would be committing this area for this type of activity for a substantial number of years in order to recover the capital investment, a conclusion was reached that this particular activity should cease at this location and that alternative activities should be pursued.

Ms. Burns further explained that at the Committee level, she reported that the Department had contacted **Tony Delucchi, the Director of Property for the Real Estate Department,** to ascertain if there was any other City land that might be able to accommodate this type of activity. To date, she had not received a response from the Real Estate Department but would continue to pursue this issue. She also received a letter from **Senator Quentin L. Kopp,** which concurred that this avenue should be explored and further suggested that private property be considered.

5. **SHARP PARK**
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE (Continued)

Jerry Klein, noted that the General Manager had informed the Commission in her General Manager's Report that a lawsuit involving the use of an Uzi at Sharp Park had just been settled. He explained that users of the range had complained about the use of automatic weapons at the range and that many people did not feel it was an appropriate use of the range. He stated that people who use the range responsibly sorely miss the range. Mr. Klein referenced the San Francisco Planning Code which showed the areas where this type of activity could be permitted and noted that a number of alternative areas could be explored. He asked the Commission to form a committee, that he be part of that committee, and that an effort be made to find a safe and appropriate site to continue shooting as a sport in San Francisco.

Truman E. Fallin served for 21 years as a reserve officer in the San Francisco Police Department, and asked the Commission to visit the Coyote Point range, before rendering a decision. He also suggested that the range be operated only when it is supervised.

Dwight Anderson, a resident of the Twin Peaks area found the Sharp Park rifle range to be very convenient where one could shoot a wide variety of weapons. He also is an archer so he could enjoy both sporting activities at one visit at Sharp Park. As a former member of the Strategic Air Command he found shooting to be an enjoyable activity.

Kevin S. Tikker realized that it was unlikely that the rifle range would be reopened but urged that other venues be explored. He suggested that an area formerly used by the Army located in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area be considered as a possible location for a range.

Steve Heminger, representing Senator Quentin L. Kopp read a letter from the Senator which stated in part, "...Nevertheless, if your intention is to close permanently the Sharp Park range, the very least that is owed the 25,000 annual users of the facility is an energetic, good-faith effort to locate an alternate range site. The general manager has pledged to investigate such sites in association with the Department of Real Estate

Peter Buxton stated there are small private ranges in the Bay Area, including one at the Federal Reserve Building, although it is not open to the public. He suggested that the City pursue usage of the rifle range located at Fort Cronkite. He also felt the $500,000-$1 Million capital improvement cost figure was inflated and that he had submitted plans, produced by the National Rifle Association, which could make the range safe at the cost of $100,000. He felt the City needed a range to teach one how to handle a firearm.

Arthur L. Poganski, was present to support pistol shooting.

President Eickman clarified the point that the Board of Supervisors asked the Commission to hold another hearing on this matter and that it does not have the authority to overturn the Commission's decision. He further stated that the roadway located above the range presents a liability issue to the Department. He stated that there are other possible locations for a rifle range including the Melagra Ridge County Park and on Golden Gate National Recreation Area land, south of Sharp Park.

5. **SHARP PARK**
SHARP PARK RIFLE RANGE (Continued)

Vice President McAteer felt that the Commission should make a concerted effort to find a location for a rifle range in the Bay Area, and liked the concept of the Committee which was previously mentioned.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15552

RESOLVED, That this Commission upholds the July 20, 1989 decision of the Recreation and Park Commission to permanently close the Sharp Park Rifle Range.

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President Eickman asked that a committee be established to explore possible locations for a rifle range and that Vice President McAteer serve on that Committee. He also asked that Commissioner McAteer contact Senator Quentin L. Kopp's office. Other representatives of this committee should include Hal Flinn, Assistant Superintendent of Recreation, and a representative from the Real Estate Department.

6. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY**
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Acceptance of San Francisco Zoological Society Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 1989.

Phil Arnold, Interim Zoo Director, explained that the San Francisco Zoological Society annually submits to the Commission its audited financial statements. The Society has two funds, one which is supported by the membership program, the other which is supported by its concession and retail program. The retail program, currently operating in a deficit, supports the Children's Zoo, the Animal Resource Center, and the Asian Conservation Center. Since the membership program has a surplus, funds from the membership program will be transferred into the retail program to offset its deficit.

On recommendation of Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15553

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the San Francisco Zoological Society Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 1989.

7. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY**
OPERATING BUDGET

Approval of San Francisco Zoological Society operating budget for Fiscal Year 1990.

Phil Arnold, Interim Zoo Director, explained that the San Francisco Zoological Society is required to submit its operating budget to the Commission. The Zoological Society's operating budget faced a defict at the outset of the fiscal year but has corrected that deficit. The Zoo was severely impacted by the 10/17/89 earthquake and, as a result, the budget is very spare.

On recommendation of Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15554

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the San Francisco Zoological Society operating budget for Fiscal Year 1990.

8. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS**
SPECIES SURVIVAL PLAN

Adoption of the Species Survival Plan policy for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Phil Arnold, Interim Zoo Director, explained that the San Francisco Zoological Gardens has been a participant in the Special Survival Program for a number of years but the Commission has never formally approved the Zoo's participation in this program. He asked the Commission to endorse the Zoo's participation in the Species Survival Program.

On recommendation of Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15555

RESOLVED, That this Commission adopts the Species Survival Plan policy for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

9. **ENDORSEMENT OF THE CALIFORNIA WILDLIFE PROTECTION ACT OF 1990**

Approval of resolution endorsing the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990.

Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, explained this item was considered by the Parks and Planning Committee, and is a request to endorse legislation pending in the State Legislature to provide $20 million per year for 30 years toward habitat improvements for rare and endangered species. It was staff's recommendation that this item be approved.

On recommendation of Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

9. **ENDORSEMENT OF THE CALIFORNIA WILDLIFE PROTECTION ACT OF 1990** (Continued)

RES. NO. 15556

WHEREAS, the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990 would provide local agencies $2 million for 50 percent matching grants for creation, enhancement and management of urban trails, nature interpretation programs and other programs which bring urban residents into park and wildlife areas, and for acquisition of habitat and wildlife corridors, and

WHEREAS, the Act would provide $1 million for acquisition of lands in and adjacent to state park systems, and

WHEREAS, the Act would provide $30 million per year for thirty years towards habitat acquisition for rare and endangered species, mountain lions, deer and native oak, and

WHEREAS, the Act would utilize whenever possible the services of the California Conservation Corps and local community conservation corps, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Recreation and Park Commission, hereby endorses the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990, and encourages all residents to likewise preserve the health of our world and the beauty of our state's wildlife heritage forever, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors shall also be asked to endorse the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990.

10. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
HOLIDAY ROAD CLOSURES

Approval of 1990 holiday road closures for John F. Kennedy Drive, Golden Gate Park.

Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, explained this item was considered by the Parks and Planning Committee, and is approval of the 1990 holiday road closures for John F. Kennedy Drive in Golden Gate Park, in accordance with the Golden Gate Park Transportation Plan. He further suggested that, in the future, this matter be handled administratively.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15557

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1990 holiday road closures for John F. Kennedy Drive, Golden Gate Park, as follows:

Monday, January 1, 1990 - New Year's Day
Monday, January 15, 1990 - Marting Luther King Day
Monday, February 19, 1990 - Washington's Birthday
Monday, May 28, 1990 - Memorial Day Observed
Wednesday, July 4, 1990 - Independence Day
Monday, September 3, 1990 - Labor Day
Tuesday, December 25, 1990 - Christmas Day

FURTHER RESOLVED, That in the future holiday road closures shall be handled administratively.

11. CITY GOLF COURSES
FEE INCREASES

Approval of fee increases for City golf courses effective January 1, 1990.

Ernie Prindle, Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, explained that this item is a request to increase fees at the Department's golf courses and was heard before the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee. The fee request is a component of the Department's budget plan for this year and will assist to offset some of the costs of the 10/17/89 earthquake. It was also found that the Department's golf course fees are significantly lower than the average charged in other courses in the Bay Area. The fee increase would place the Department in the mid range. Additional revenue is needed because of next year's projected budget picture and to supplement some of the maintenance costs associated with the golf courses.

Commissioner O'Connor explained that this matter was considered by the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee where little opposition was received.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15558

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following fee increases for the Department's golf courses, effective January 1, 1990:

Facility	Current Weekday 88/89	Approved Weekday 90/91	Current Wknd/Hol 88/89	Approved Wknd/Hol 90/91
		HARDING		
Standard	$12.00	$15.00	$17.00	$20.00
Resident	10.00	$12.00	13.00	$15.00
Senior	7.00	$ 8.00	12.00	$13.00
Junior	6.00	$ 7.00	12.00	$13.00
Sr. After 1p.m.	5.00	$ 6.00	n/a	n/a
Back Nine	6.00	$ 7.00	9.00	$10.00
Twilight *	6.00	$ 8.00	9.00	$10.00
Tournament Fee	3.00	$ 5.00	3.00	$ 5.00
		LINCOLN		
Standard	$10.00	$13.00	$14.00	$17.00
Resident	9.00	$10.00	11.00	$13.00
Senior	6.50	$ 7.00	11.00	$12.00
Junior	5.00	$ 6.00	10.00	$11.00
Sr. After 1 p.m.	5.00	$ 6.00	n/a	n/a
Back Nine	5.00	$ 6.00	8.00	$ 9.00
Twilight *	5.00	$ 7.00	8.00	$ 9.00
Tournament	3.00	$ 5.00	3.00	$ 5.00

11. **CITY GOLF COURSES** **RES. NO. 15558**
FEE INCREASES (Continued) **(Continued)**

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following fee increases for the Department's golf courses, effective January 1, 1990:

Facility	Current Weekday 88/89	Approved Weekday 90/91	Current Wknd/Hol 88/89	Approved Wknd/Hol 90/91
		SHARP		
Standard	$10.00	$ 13.00	$14.00	$17.00
Resident	8.00	$ 10.00	11.00	$13.00
Senior	6.50	$ 7.00	10.00	$12.00
Junior	5.00	$ 6.00	10.00	$11.00
Sr. After 1 p.m.	5.00	$ 6.00	n/a	n/a
Back Nine	5.00	$ 6.00	6.00	$ 9.00
Twilight *	5.00	$ 7.00	7.00	$ 9.00
Tournament Fee	3.00	$ 5.00	3.00	$ 5.00
		FLEMING		
Standard	$ 6.00	$ 7.00	$ 7.00	$ 8.00
Resident	4.50	$ 5.00	5.50	$ 6.00
Senior	3.50	$ 4.00	5.00	$ 6.00
Junior	2.50	$ 3.00	4.50	$ 5.00
Tournament Fee	2.00	$ 3.00	2.00	$ 3.00
		GOLDEN GATE		
Standard	$ 4.00	$ 5.00	$ 7.00	$ 8.00
Resident	3.00	$ 4.00	5.00	$ 6.00
Senior	2.50	$ 3.00	4.00	$ 5.00
Junior	1.50	$ 2.00	1.50	$ 2.00

* 2:00 pm Pacific Standard Time
4:00 pm Pacific Daylight Savings Time

Resident card is $20.00. To qualify for any resident, senior, or junior rate a resident card must be purchased.

Players who are team members of participating high schools play free in scheduled practices and matches. Card bearing members of high schools may play for $1.00 when tee is empty.

Tournament Requirements

1. Recommend 32 player minimum at all courses.
2. Recommend that golf carts be required for all weekend and holiday tournaments at all courses.
3. Tournament rate is the "standard rate" plus the "tournament fee" for each course as shown above except for shotgun tournaments. (see below)
4. Tournament fee due 30 days in advance. (non-refundable)
5. Tournament green fees due 10 days in advance. (non-refundable)

11. CITY GOLF COURSES
FEE INCREASES (Continued)

RES. NO. 15558
(Continued)

Shotgun Tournament Rates and Requirements

In addition to the above requirements, the following will apply for shotgun tournaments:

1. 144 player minimum
2. Recommend a shotgun tournament rate per player fee of $25.00 at Harding, $20.00 at Lincoln, $20.00 at Sharp Park, plus pro shop/restaurant fee of $500.00.

12. McLAREN PARK
GLENEAGLES GOLF COURSE
PRICE INCREASES

Approval to increase some of services and/or products at Gleneagles International Golf Club at McLaren Park.

Ernie Prindle, Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, explained that this item is a request by Erik DeLambert, the concessionaire at McLaren Park, to increase fees at the Gleneagles Golf Course. Staff felt the fee increase was warranted and recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15559

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase of fees for some of the services and/or products at Gleneagles International Golf Club at McLaren Park:

	Present Price	Approved Price
Green Fees		
Weekdays 9 Holes	$ 7.00	$ 8.00
18 Holes	11.00	13.00
Weekends 9 Holes	8.00	10.00
18 Holes	14.00	16.00
Senior/Junior 10 Round Cards	40.00	50.00
Back Nine Surcharge	2.00	3.00
Power Carts		
Weekdays and Weekends 9 Holes 2 Players	9.00	10.00
18 Holes 2 Players	16.00	18.00

12. **McLAREN PARK**
GLENEAGLES GOLF COURSE
PRICE INCREASES (Continued)

RES. NO. 15559
(Continued)

	Present Price	Approved Price
Food and Beverage		
8" Old Fashioned Hot Dog	$ 1.00	1.25
1/4 lb. Polish Sausage	1.50	1.50*
Pastrami and Swiss on Roll	2.00	2.00*
Ham and Cheese	1.25	1.50
Breakfast Sandwich	1.50	2.00
Coffee	.25	.25*
Coffee and 2 Danish	1.00	1.00*
Sodas, Waters, Juices	1.00	1.00*
Domestic Beer	1.50	1.75
Imported Beer	2.00	2.25
Well Drinks	2.00	2.25
Premium Spirits	25¢ increase across the board	
Chips, Peanuts	.50	.50*

*No increase requested

13. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS
LEASE AMENDMENT

Approval of an amendment to the lease between the City and County of San Francisco and the San Francisco Forty-Niners, Ltd., relating to the use of Candlestick Park.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item was heard and approved by the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee and is a lease amendment necessitated by the addition of new luxury suites and seats at the stadium. In addition, some minor changes were made in the lease agreement to clarify some of the current stadium operations. This lease amendment has been reviewed and agreed upon by the City Attorney and the General Manager. He further explained that there have been discussions on new language for the indemnification provision and, to date, this language has not been agreed upon by all parties.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15560

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an amendment to the lease between the City and County of San Francisco and the San Francisco Forty-Niners, Ltd., relating to the use of Candlestick Park, with the understanding that the indemnification clause will be incorporated into the lease amendment when all parties agree upon the language.

14. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
REAPPROPRIATION OF CAPITAL FUNDS

Approval to reappropriate unspent capital funds from capital projects to the Candlestick Facilities Maintenance project to be used for earthquake inspection and repairs and handicapped accessibility improvements.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item is a request to reappropriate funding to be used to cover the cost of earthquake repairs at Candlestick Park. Mr. Lind has re-prioritized Candlestick Park's capital improvement program to pay for those earthquake costs and has requested that three projects (fencing, parking lot and restroom) be postponed.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15561

RESOLVED, That this Commission reappropriates unspent capital funds from the following capital projects to the Candlestick Facilities Maintenance project to be used for earthquake inspection and repairs and handicapped accessibility improvements, as follows:

Candlestick Fencing.....$200,000
Candlestick Parking Lot.....$150,000
Candlestick Restrooms.....$100,000

15. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
ACCESSIBILITY MASTER PLAN

Acceptance of a masterplan for handicapped accessibility at Candlestick Park.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item is acceptance of a masterplan for handicapped accessibility at Candlestick Park to improve access to the stadium. He explained that the luxury suites do not meet current handicap accessibility code. Mr. Lind met with the Handicap Appeals Board and has developed a plan which provide for a number of improvements including the addition of 40 new wheelchair positions in the stadium, 20 of those positions will be placed in Section 19, the other 20 will be placed near Section 49. The handicap platform will be wide enough so that that wheelchairs can maneuver in and out of the space and not be locked into a slot. Staff also plans to double the number of handicap parking stalls and improve signage for handicapped restrooms. The 49ers and Giants have also established programs to accommodate disabled spectators, to print material, and provide staff training. The Giants plan to institute usage of an electric cart which will be driven around the parking lot to shuttle senior citizens, disabled people and spectators to the gate.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15562

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the masterplan for handicapped accessibility at Candlestick Park.

16. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
TICKET PRICE INCREASE

Approval of the 1990 ticket prices for the San Francisco Giants as follows:

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item is a request from the Giants to increase the ticket prices for the 1990 baseball season. Mr. Lind developed a comparison analysis of the ticket price for the other California baseball teams and outlined those figures. The Giants continue to have the lowest West Coast ticket prices for the Family Pavilion and General Admission areas. The Giants, having noted the success of last year's baseball season, have requested that the suites be marketed at a higher rate. The requested luxury suite prices are for luxury suites located inside the foul poles; the luxury suites outside the foul pole will be marketed at a lesser amount, perhaps 30% lower. He further explained that there has been discussion as to how the Giants pay the City rent for use of the suites. The Giants lease agreement was written before the luxury suites existed and the Giants contend that they will pay rent based on the highest ticket price. Staff feels that the Giants should pay the Department a percentage of rent for the suites based on the total suite price.

Commissioner Guggenhime was not concerned about the ticket prices but was concerned about the percentage of the luxury suite rental rates since the revenue would be substantially different for a baseball season versus the football season.

A discussion ensued regarding the percentage of the rental rate which should be negotiated with the Giants.

Commissioner Ruiz was not inclined to authorize the sale price of the luxury suites and felt that the Commission should discuss this issue with the Giants' representative before granting approval.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15563

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1990 baseball ticket prices as follows:

	Present	Approved
°Lower Box Seats	$10.00	$11.00
°Lower Reserved Seats	8.00	9.00
°Upper Box Seats	9.00	10.00
°Upper Reserved Seats	7.00	7.00
°Family Pavilion	5.00	5.00
°General Admission (Grandstand)	2.50	2.50

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the rates for the luxury suites (as listed below) shall be deferred to a future Commission meeting.

°Luxury Suites	Present	Requested
8 Seat Box	$13,000	$26,000
10 Seat Box	16,000	32,000
12 Seat Box	19,500	39,000
16 Seat Box	27,000	54,000
18 Seat Box	29,000	58,000

17. **SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS**
PLAYOFF GAMES
PARKING FEE INCREASES

Approval to increase the parking fees at Candlestick Park for the 1990 Playoff games.

John Lind, Director of Stadium Operations, explained that this item was heard and approved by the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee and is a request from the 49ers to alter the parking rates for the playoff games. Currently, there is a pre-paid parking rate of $12.00 and a $7.00 open parking rate. Since this was the first year that pre-paid parking was offered to the fans the 49ers did not want to ask fans to pay for two playoff games in the event they were not played. The 49ers also did not have an administrative system in place to process refunds should the playoff games not be played. Therefore, the 49ers have asked that the parking fees be altered and that one flat rate be offered at the rate of $10.00 for automobiles, with no increase for the bus, limousine and recreational vehicle.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that the total increase of revenues to the City is $4,000 and that the $10.00 rate will expedite the flow of traffic since even bills will not require attendants to make change.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15564

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase to the parking fees at Candlestick Park for the 1990 Playoff games, as follows:

	Present	Approved
Automobiles (open parking)	$ 7.00	$10.00
Automobiles (pre-paid)	$12.00	will not be offered
Bus	$20.00	$20.00
Limousine & Recreational Vehicle	$25.00	$25.00

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A discussion ensued regarding the system for pre-paid parking. The 49ers have experienced a 10-20% no-show factor in the pre-paid parking area and therefore the 49ers sell some of those vacant slots on game day. In addition, the 49ers hold additional slots in the pre-paid lot so that it can accommodate fans who arrive past the kick-off.

Murlan Fowell, representing the 49ers explained that the 49ers plan to submit a parking fee request for the 1990 season in the near future.

18. BOEDDEKER RECREATION CENTER
INDOOR MURAL

Approval of the Phase II of Boeddeker Recreation Center indoor Mural.

Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation, explained that this item is a request to approve the second phase of the indoor mural at Boeddeker Recreation Center. The Commission has previously approved the first mural designed by Johanna Poethig where the youth of the Tenderloin community assisted in the production of the mural. The second phase will be placed on the opposite wall, and will also be designed and produced by the Tenderloin youth.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15565

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves Phase II of Boeddeker Recreation Center indoor mural.

19. AQUATICS DIVISION
WATER EXERCISE CLASSES
RELEASE/WAIVER

Approval of a release/waiver for aerobic water exercise classes.

Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation, explained that this item is a request to approve a release/fee waiver for aerobic water exercise class. Due to the nature of this sport, staff feels the release waiver further protects the City and the Department against possible litigation arising from injury or accident that may occur from someone participating in this activity. This item has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office and the Recreation Program Committee also recommended approval of the item.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15566

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the release/waiver for aerobic water exercise classes.

20. CAMP MATHER
DAY USE FEE

Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, explained that staff is requesting a day use fee be instituted at Camp Mather for non-paying guest who use Camp Mather.

On recommendation of the Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Harris, the following resolution was adopted:

20. CAMP MATHER
DAY USE FEE (Continued)

RES.. NO. 15567

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby institutes a day use fee at Camp Mather as follows:

° Under 2 years	Free
° 2 to 12 years	$2.50 per day
° 12 and over	$5.00 per day

21. CAMP MATHER
IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM

Consideration to institute an identification program at Camp Mather.

Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, explained that over the past several years the Department has experienced an increase of non-paying guests who use Camp Mather. Staff felt it was prudent to identify and set up a user fee for non-paying guests. During one of the weeks of the 1989 Camp Mather season, guests were asked to participate in an identification program in the form of a wrist bracelet. According to the Camp Manager, approximately 70% of the guests were willing to wear the bracelets. Staff feels it is important to note the number of non-paying guests and to charge a fee for use of the camp facility. The non-paying guests come from Peachgrowers, the Evergreen Lodge and other nearby camps. The United States Forest Service has plans to develop a facility at the nearby Boy Scout property which may increase the number of non-paying guests who use Camp Mather. He requested that the Commission adopt an identification system for the 1990 Camp Mather season, in the form of a wrist bracelet.

Vice President McAteer was not enthused with the identification system but felt it was necessary so that Camp Mather's paying guests are protected from those who use the facility free of charge. She further asked if this was going to be done on a trial basis.

Mr. Barron said that staff planned to try the identification system and that if a more practical system is found other than a wrist band it would be implemented. He noted that dyes tend to wear off and some individuals are allergic to dyes.

Commissioner Ruiz explained that the Committee agreed to the concept of an identification system with the understanding that this system was subject to assessment and change.

On recommendation of the Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15568

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby institutes an identification program at Camp Mather for the 1990 season.

21A. **CAMP MATHER**
EVERGREEN LODGE
SEASONAL USE FEE

Approval of a $900.00 seasonal use fee from Evergreen Lodge for use of Camp Mather facilities.

Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, explained that the Evergreen Lodge and the Department has enjoyed a working relationship for over 35 years. Mr. Barron met with Mr. John Bargeman, the proprietor of the Evergreen Lodge, and in exchange of $900.00, staff has agreed to provide their guests with identification bracelets and the right to advertise Camp Mather in its brochure. In the past, the Evergreen Lodge advertised and used Camp Mather without any charge.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's query, Mr. Barron explained that the Evergreen Lodge can accommodate 50-60 people.

In response to Commissioner Orr's query, Mr. Barron explained that the Evergreen Lodge has a lease with the National Forest Service for a parcel of property which contains a restaurant, bar, and a small store. The Department also provides water for the Evergreen Lodge.

In response to Commissioner Orr's query regarding the $900.00 fee, Mr. Barron explained that the Department's water comes through pipes which go across National Forest land, land which is leased by the Evergreen Lodge. The National Forest Service asked the Department to develop its own water system which the Department did. Unfortunately, the well produced very little water for the Camp and was poor in water quality. Although the $900 fee seems minimal, it maintains a nice relationship with the Evergreen Lodge.

On recommendation of the Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted

RES. NO. 15569

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a $900.00 seasonal use fee from Evergreen Lodge for use of Camp Mather facilities.

22. **SAN FRANCISCO FLOWER SHOW INC.**
1990 COUNTY FAIR AGREEMENT

Approval of one-year agreement for management of 1990 County Fair.

Ernie Prindle, Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, explained that that this item was heard before the Finance and Administration Committee and is a one year agreement with the San Francisco Flower Show, Inc., for the management of the 1990 County Fair. This agreement is very similar to last year's agreement with the exception of the fact that the Arts Commission will no longer be participating in the fair (they participated in the last two fairs). Staff is developing a format to give a broader base to this year's fair and to expand the fair with children and senior programs as well as an art component.

22. **SAN FRANCISCO FLOWER SHOW INC.**
1990 COUNTY FAIR AGREEMENT (Continued)

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15570

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a one-year agreement for management of 1990 County Fair.

23. **PORTSMOUTH SQUARE GARAGE**
REVISED PARKING FEES

Approval to increase parking fees at Portsmouth Square Garage, effective 2/1/90.

Ernie Prindle, Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, explained that that this item is a result of the Controller's Audit conducted at Portsmouth Square Garage. On 8/17/89, the Commission authorized a Management Audit be conducted at the garage and the proposed recommendations and rates are a result of this audit. The non-profit corporation which manages the garage was concerned about the short term rates for the first three hours and therefore staff agreed to not raise the rates for the first three hours.

On recommendation of the Finance and Administration Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner O'Connor, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15571

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following parking fees at Portsmouth Square Garage, effective 2/1/90:

	Present	Approved
0 hr - 1 hr	$0.75	$0.75
1 hr - 2 hrs	2.00	2.00
2 hrs - 3 hrs	4.00	4.00
3 hrs - 4 hrs	5.75	6.00
4 hrs - 5 hrs	7.25	8.25
5 hrs - 6 hrs	9.75	10.50
6 hrs - 7 hrs	12.50	13.00
7 hrs - 24 hrs	12.50	15.00
8:00 p.m. - 8:00 a.m.	6.00 (*)	
8:00 p.m. - 9:00 a.m.		3.00 (*)
(*) Sunday through Thursday		
Monthly Parking	$192	$225

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the recommendations of Management Audit conducted by Western Parking Services, Inc.

24. **HOM AND PON**
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

Discussion of proposed settlement with Hom and Pon.

Ernie Prindle, Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, explained that this item relates to the proposed settlement with Hom and Pon, one of the Department's concessionaires.

The Commission directed Mr. Prindle to resolve the final details on the accounting procedures with Hom and Pon by the next meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee. The Commission further advised staff that if the accounting procedures are not agreed to by representatives of (1) the Controller's Office, (2) the City Attorney's Office and (3) the Recreation and Park Department by the date of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting then staff is authorized to initiate termination proceedings.

25. **ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS**

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15572

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $25,595.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Hugh Reynolds, 109 rare orchids from Madagascar, valued at $3,695.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

b. From Marie Nogues, 2 camellia shrubs, valued at $400.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers.

c. From Ben T. Yamane, $150.00, for use by the Recreation and Park Department.

d. From the San Francisco Croquet Club, through Friends of Recreation and Park, $1,000.00 to be used at Sigmund Stern Grove.

e. From the Doty Awards, one Elnita 200 Sewing Machine, valued at $400.00, for use at Rosa Parks Senior Citizens Center.

f. From Walt Disney Pictures, 100 Snow White rose bushes, valued at $1,200.00, for Golden Gate Park.

g. From Friends of Recreation and Parks, $18,750, for design plans and specifications for the renovation of the Shakespeare Garden in Golden Gate Park.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

26. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No Public Comment was received.

27. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Eickman commented that the Commission was very fortunate because the members work well together. In addition, the Commission has a very good working relationship with the Department. He also noted that all of the committees of the Commission are meeting regularly and considering many Recreation and Park issues.

President Eickman explained that the Zoo Advisory Committee, which expired last month, was again re-established by the Board of Supervisors to January 31, 1990.

28. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of November 13, 1989
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of November 29, 1989
Mather, Arboretum, Conservatory Committee Meeting of December 6, 1989
Finance and Administration Committee Meeting of December 7, 1989
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of December 7, 1989
Candlestick Park/Athletic Fields Committee Meeting of December 19, 1989
Golf and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of December 20, 1989

29. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Jon Bannister, a gardener, who passed away from cancer.

There being no further business, the 642nd Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.